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Photos worth a 1,000 words

Seven Wartburg students received awards in an annual photo contest sponsored by Global and Multicultural Studies.

FIRST — Stephanie Fisk '04 of Milford won first place for her photo of a man at a Haitian homeless shelter. According to Fisk, "Even though he was probably wearing everything he owned, did not possess a penny in his name, did not know when he would be able to eat his next meal — still, he praised God."

SECOND — Jonathan Schack '04 of Owatonna, Minn., won second place for his photo of St. Mary's Cathedral in Sydney at night. "It was only as we were walking away that I glimpsed this magical image of the cathedral's reflection standing amidst Sydney's city lights," Schack said.

THIRD — Sara Nyhus '04 of Forest City won third place for her picture of a young boy in El Porvenir, Honduras. The boy volunteered his time, carrying extra buckets of sand to workers building a house. Nyhus realized residents of "El Porvenir had very little, but what they did have they shared with us."

STUDENT CHOICE — Joanna Marek '04 of Cherry Valley, Ill., won the student choice award for her photo of "a glimpse of life" in Europe.

HONORABLE MENTION — Clint Prescott '04 of Ventura won honorable mention for his photo of the ocean in Australia. According to Prescott, "The ocean was used for every type of purpose and pleasure, which kept me fascinated and mindful of becoming landlocked upon my return home."

HONORABLE MENTION — Stefanie Tomalka '05 Jefferson City, Mo., won honorable mention for her photo of Semana Santa, a traditional parade in Spain.

HONORABLE MENTION — Erin Manson '04 of Maquoketa won honorable mention for her photos of a fountain in Slovakia. As Manson watched the site, she reflected "on what a blessing my life has been and how blessed I am to be in this marvelous country."



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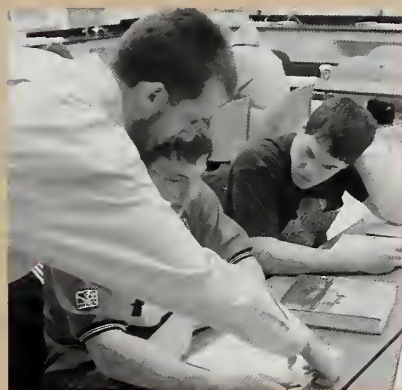
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TOP – Two auditoriums in Wartburg's new Science Center offer raised seating for lectures, like the chemistry class above, but also allow students to turn their chairs around for discussion and small-group activities.

MATH CLASS – Dr. Brian Birgen and other faculty in mathematics, computer science and physics, teach some classes in the Science Center while awaiting renovation of other facilities in Becker Hall of Science.

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Pounds of rebar in the new Science Center: 1.8 million

Pounds rebar per Wartburg student: 1,022

Number of trips each student would have to make to deliver 1,022 pounds rebar to building site: 26

Cubic yards of concrete poured for Science Center: 5,000

Amount of space 5,000 cubic yards of concrete would occupy: 360 feet x 360 feet x 1 foot deep

Pounds of roofing required for Science Center: 583,000

Number of pickups it would take to deliver roofing to building site: 583

Number of doors in Science Center: 240

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ON THE COVER – Erin Grandgenett, a first-year student from Algona, completes a biology laboratory assignment in the new Science Center. Although the building is not quite finished, science laboratories and one large lecture hall opened in January for Winter Term classes. This photo, the Science Center photos on this page and those accompanying the story were taken by Ben Shanno '04, a print media and public relations major from Council Bluffs.

Old atlas sheds new light on Wartburg's **ORANGE** tradition

by Linda Moeller '66

Wartburg history professor Dr. Terrence Lindell shed new light on Wartburg's affinity for the color orange after his recent perusal of a 1917 Bremer County atlas.

Lindell, who serves on Wartburg's integrated marketing committee, has long been a proponent of all things orange. His recent discovery lends historical credence to the color.

The atlas indicates that Waverly streets once carried more colorful names. Most north-south streets were named after trees, while many of the east-west streets carried the last names of prominent citizens or historical figures. Eventually, the city fathers adopted a blander but more logical system, laying out a grid of north-south streets and east-west avenues, most designated by a number.

A plat map in the 1917 atlas shows that Wartburg Teachers Seminary and Academy occupied property situated between Apple Street (now Eighth Street N.W.) and Orange Street (now Ninth Street N.W.) Orange Street ended at Webster Street, directly south of Old Main. For someone standing on the front steps of Old Main, Orange Street would have been directly ahead. Years later, after the construction of Luther Hall and subsequent campus development, Third Avenue was closed through the campus and Ninth Street ended at Luther Hall. The college's official address became 222 Ninth St. N.W.

Although Lindell said it's possible that the school colors originated from the proximity to Orange Street, no one has unearthed any evidence to support that argument.

In fact, Dr. Ronald Matthias '54 writes in his history, *Still on the Move: Wartburg College 1852-2002*, that "the choice of orange and black as school colors came from Clinton."

Wartburg College moved to Clinton in 1894 and remained there until moving back to Waverly in 1935.

"The question of why Clinton chose black and orange as the school colors may be lost in the mists

of history," says Randall Schroeder '82, Wartburg information literacy librarian, who also has researched the history of the college's mascot and school colors.

"It has been suggested that black and orange represented the fall foliage of the Clinton campus. It has also been suggested that black and orange are a variation of the democratic flag of Germany, which originated near the Wartburg Castle. This is pure conjecture, however, because there simply aren't any written records of why Clinton chose that particular color combination."

Schroeder notes that the earliest mention of school colors he found came in the June 1909 issue of the *Wartburg Quarterly* in Clinton. F.H. Voelker closed his history of the Class of '09 by writing, "The thoughts of the Orange and Black, and the filial devotion to Old Wartburg are the ties that shall bind our hearts together wherever we may be."

Early in 2004, the college received a 1908 pennant from Wartburg College at Clinton. That pennant displays black "WC" letters on an orange background at its wide end, but the point features gold 1908 numerals on a green background.

Thus, the Development Office's recent fund-raising slogan, "Turn Your Green to Orange," also appears to have some basis in history.

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— F.H. Voelker, June 1909
Wartburg Quarterly

Chapel of Love

by Karris Golden '98

Place **WARTBURG CHAPEL**

The sight of the Eiffel Tower makes some couples teary-eyed, but the Wartburg Chapel is what brings a lump to Rachel Glesne Partello's throat.

On Dec. 31, 1996, Darin Partello '97 proposed to Rachel '96 in the chapel. "He did a great job; he decorated and even sang to me," she recalls. "The memories we have of the chapel are ones we will never forget."

As a result, the chapel was a logical choice for the Partellos' Aug. 2, 1997 wedding. "It was the start of our marriage from the beginning," Rachel says. "We love Wartburg, and it and the chapel will always be a part of our marriage."

In addition to getting an education, many students meet their future spouses at college. Because of this, on-campus weddings are common at colleges, and Wartburg is no exception, says the Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor. In the past eight years, the Wartburg Chapel hosted more than 120 weddings.

"I'm glad that in addition to traditional college functions, such as chapel and worship services, the facility has hosted so many weddings," Trachte says. "Weddings are such happy occasions, and I'm pleased that the college can be the site of such events."

The chapel, which opened in the spring of 1994, didn't host its first wedding until May 27, 1995. That day, Bryan and Angie Hibbard '91 Buffington moved their outdoor ceremony to the chapel following a storm that left six inches of standing water at their rural Waverly wedding site. They returned to the chapel in 2002, when Trachte officiated at the July 17 baptism of their daughter.

The Wartburg Chapel isn't Nashua's famed Little Brown Church, nor does it strive to be, Trachte says. However, he does think it's important to offer students, alumni and college employees a place for their weddings.

"Wartburg weddings are mini-homecomings," he says. "They bring a lot of people back to campus and are wonderfully positive, a real affirmation of the role college plays in our lives. Plus, the Wartburg Chapel is a special place for many of us; it's holy ground." While not open for outside weddings, the chapel is available for students, alumni, faculty and staff members and their children.

Before the college built the Wartburg Chapel, some students and alumni were married at area churches. Trachte says the churches were accommodating, often inviting him to assist. He has also traveled farther distances to officiate or assist at weddings, but he says it wasn't the same as marrying a Wartburg couple on campus.



Troy '94 and Lynn Litzer '94 Smith

photo courtesy Tiedt Photography, Sumner, Iowa

Cheryl Waltmann Lundsgaard '91 holds the honor of being the first professor's child to marry in the Wartburg Chapel. (Her father, Dr. August Waltmann '64, retired in May 2003 after 34 years of teaching mathematics at the college.) She married Andrew Lundsgaard July 15, 1995.

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— CHERYL WALTMAUN LUNDSGAARD '91



Andrew and Cheryl Waltmann '91 Lundsgaard

"The Wartburg Chapel was the ideal place for my wedding," she recalls. "Wartburg has been a part of my life since I was 6 months old. I have only missed two Homecomings since then."

Cheryl's wedding was a bit of a Homecoming, too. "The chapel represented to me Christian values, the Wartburg family I had grown up with, the community and my parent's devotion and caring for the college and its people. These are all things that remain important to me," she explains.

Andrew '00 and Melissa Voss '99 Brobston chose to marry in the chapel because they had attended many chapel services there.

"We wanted to make sure God was involved in our ceremony," Melissa told the *N'West Iowa Review* in a

1999 article. "That was one of the most important parts to us."

For some, the chapel offers common ground. Troy Smith '94 came to Wartburg from Anamosa, and his bride, Lynn Litzer Smith '94, is originally from Madison, Wis. As a result, the chapel was a crossroads at which their families could gather on June 15, 1996.

"Waverly was not the hometown for either one of us," Lynn explains, "yet our families traveled from faraway to attend our wedding."

The Wartburg wedding, at which Trachte officiated, also allowed the Rev. Daniel Litzer '65, to "just be dad" on Lynn's special day.

Yet heat nearly wilted the momentous occasion. "The day before the wedding, the air conditioning in

the chapel broke down," Lynn recalls. "It was around 95 degrees, and so we were all kind of worried about the heat. They had to overnight a part to fix the air conditioning. It came in time for the rehearsal and the wedding — just in time to save the day!"

Unlike the Smiths, some families find it odd when students choose Wartburg over a hometown wedding. Yet Trachte believes it's perfectly logical for students and alumni to get married on campus.

"(Students) most often have been away from their home congregation for four years. Maybe the pastor has changed, or maybe they haven't remained active during college. For a student having a wedding at Wartburg, it's meeting half way, a middle ground. Wartburg is a special place for them where they met many friends. It's where the next step of their lives took them."

Dan '03 and Suzanne Just '02 Schuknecht are one of the most recent couples to marry in the chapel, having exchanged vows Dec. 27, 2003.

"We decided to get married in the chapel because of the location for our families, the facilities it provided and the memories Wartburg holds for us," says Suzanne.

In fact, the couple met under somewhat convoluted Wartburg circumstances.

Brenda DeWall '74 roomed with Gail Cutler Kittleson '72, and both married pastors. Nearly 25 years later, the former roommates introduced Suzanne, whose childhood pastor was Brenda's husband, the Rev. Robert Dodge '74, and Dan, whose pastor is Kittleson's husband, the Rev. Lance Kittleson. Pastor Dodge officiated at the Schuknechts' wedding.

Trachte, who began his 30th year last fall, participated in the chapel dedication in 1994 and performed the wedding of his daughter, Joy '97, there three years later. "It's a beautiful facility, with the acoustics, organ, seating and natural light. Photographers love it, because it makes for wonderful and unique wedding pictures."

Cheryl Lundsgaard couldn't agree more. "My wedding was perfect," she recalls. "With the large windows and an afternoon wedding, the chapel was filled with sunlight. I also enjoy the association my children now have with the chapel, Wartburg and the place their parents were married."

In 1994, Trachte officiated at 20 weddings, a feat he won't soon duplicate. In the summer of 2003, he presided over the marriages of more than 10 couples.

That's quite a few, especially considering Trachte's job description doesn't specifically mention "wedding officiant." He nonetheless relishes his duties and takes great care with each couple, getting to know them as individuals and as partners.

"I like to make sure that I focus on the couple on the weekend of the wedding," he says. "That's why I don't like to do two in a weekend."



FRIENDS FOREVER – Dan '03 and Suzanne Just '02 Schuknecht were married Dec. 27 in the Wartburg Chapel. Their wedding party included, from left, Andy '03 and Jessica Mennen '03 Pollock, the Schuknechts and Garrett '03 and Denise Dietz '03 Rettig. The Schuknechts were the last of their group of friends to get married; the Pollacks were married there in June 2003 and the Rettigs married there in July of that year. Dan, Andy and Garrett lived together in The Residence, as did Denise, Jessica and Suzanne.

Wartburg offers marriage preparation courses

Students engaged to be married or considering marriage can attend "Preparing for Marriage" classes to help build a strong marriage foundation and relationship, says the Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor.

Trachte encourages couples to attend, though singles are welcome. He leads the class, which includes special guests. The sessions are free to students and friends of the college.

Students may consult with the pastor who performs the ceremony as to whether or not these sessions may replace some of the pre-marriage counseling normally done by home clergy.

SESSIONS INCLUDE:

Expectations of Marriage

This session examines reasons for marriage, expectations and hopes that are brought into marriage. Participants can also discuss shared goals for married life. Questions such as, "What is love?" and "How do you know you'll stay in love?" are addressed.

Adjusting to Married Life

A panel of married couples talk about their marriages, the problems and the joys of adjusting to each other. Panelists also offers advice and talk about how they would have prepared for marriage differently and what happens "when children interrupt."

Sexuality and Family Planning

Allen Hospital's Women's Health Center in Waterloo leads this session that explores questions like, "How do we go about family planning?" and "What methods of birth control are best for us?" This session concludes with a film that shares in the birth experiences of various couples.

Where the Buck Stops

Money problems are the cause of friction in many marriages, especially young ones. Lois Lindell leads a discussion of practical tips on budgeting, purchasing and financial planning.

Just Who Are You Anyway?

Myers/Briggs, Communication and Problem-Solving

The Rev. Ramona Bouzard, associate in campus ministry and director of church relations, talks about "Feelings vs. Facts" and the development of intimacy.

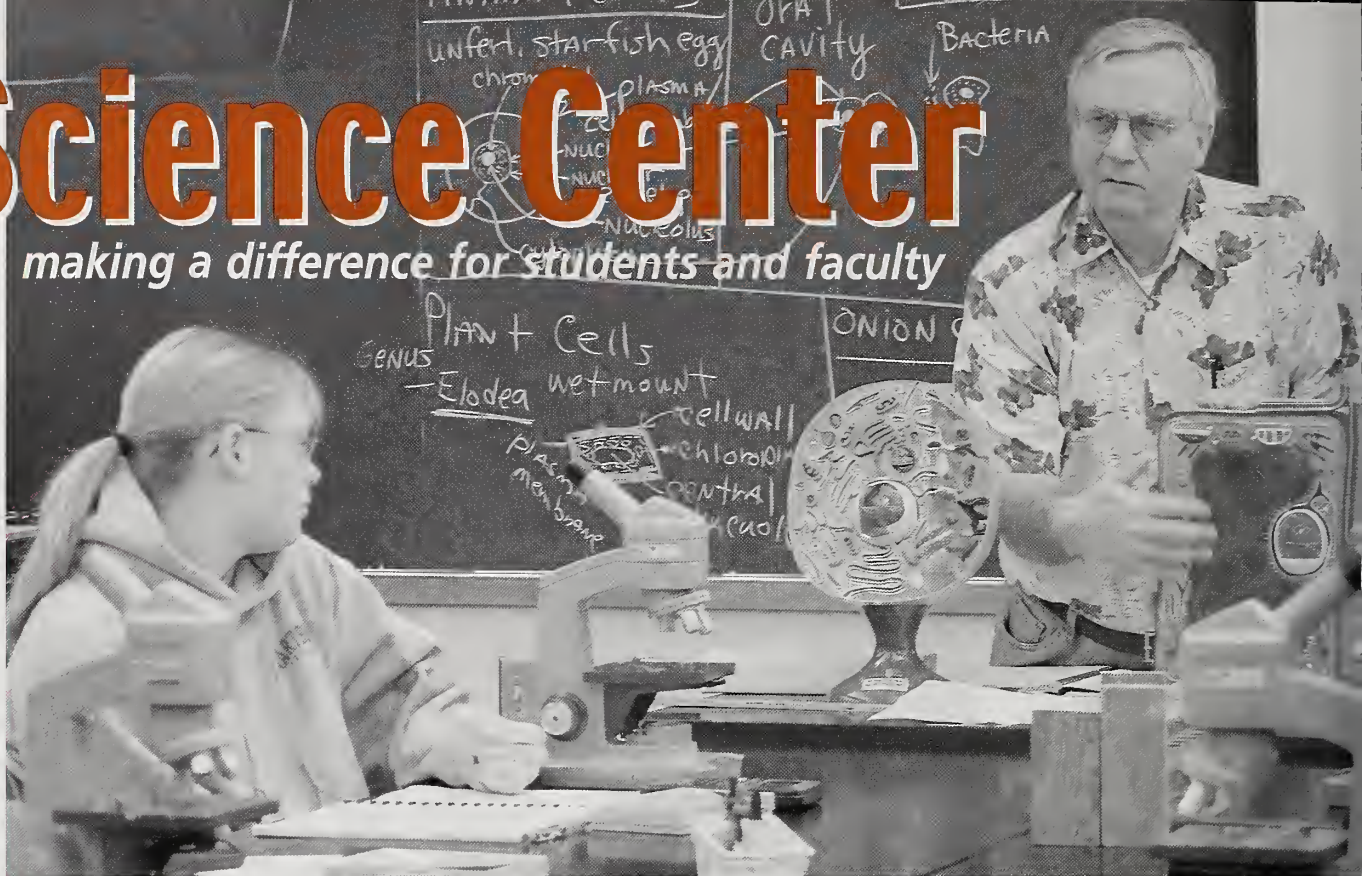
Planning Your Wedding/ Faith in the Family

This session covers practical issues couples should examine when preparing for the wedding ceremony itself, such as vows, music and the reception. Participants also discuss family and faith as a resource or challenge in marriage.

For more wedding photos, turn to page 29.

Science Center

making a difference for students and faculty



by Linda Moeller '66

It's not fully operational, but the impact of the new Science Center is already evident on the Wartburg campus.

"The amount of space we're adding, and the opportunities that will result, are amazing," said President Jack R. Ohle as the new building opened for Winter Term classes Jan. 6.

With an east and north wing, the new structure forms a quadrangle with Becker Hall of Science, now closed for renovation. It more than doubles the college's classroom and laboratory facilities in the sciences and features new spaces for faculty and student research. It takes Wartburg's scientific equipment to a new level of sophistication and allows faculty to maximize the active engagement of students in science. With more laboratories, all equipped with multimedia presentation equipment, professors are merging lecture and lab classes.

Dr. Keith McClung, associate professor of biology, said he now flows lecture and lab together in his upper-level cell biology class. "It is hopefully more interactive and interesting for the students," he said, adding that easy access to examples, samples and equipment enhances what were formerly lecture sessions.

New lecture halls feature raised seating for large-group presentations, but the wide rows permit students to turn their chairs around and work together in small groups.

Even small improvements have made a big impact on students, said Dr. Ann Henninger, biology department chair.

"What the students talk about most are the chairs," she observed. Chairs with adjustable backs have replaced the stools formerly used in the biology labs.

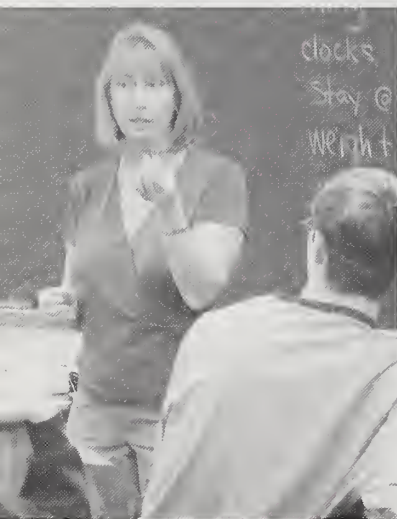
The Science Center is connected to the campus skyway system, providing easy access to the library and a majority of college buildings. In the bone-chilling and snowy days of Winter 2004, students and faculty found the indoor connection especially appealing.

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Henninger credits the science faculty and the maintenance and information technology staffs with yeoman service and flexibility during this transitional period. Until the Science Center is completely finished and the Becker Hall renovation is done, most faculty members occupy makeshift offices.

Henninger, who shares space with a colleague in what will ultimately become the cadaver room, maintains a sense of humor.

"I tell people the cadavers this year are sitting up – and talking," she said with a smile.



BIOLOGY LAB – Dr. Mark Trax, top right, a part-time instructor, poses a question to his biology students in one of the new Science Center laboratories.

ABOVE – Lynette McGregor, instructor in biology, teaches in one of the new Science Center classrooms.

Vice president leaves legacy of service to the church



Vern Truesdale '67, Wartburg's vice president for business and finance and treasurer, died Dec. 19 of melanoma. He had returned to his alma mater in January 2002 at the culmination of a career devoted to administration of institutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and its predecessor organizations.

"He brought a commitment to Lutheran higher education and a solid record of achievement in college operations to his work at Wartburg," said Wartburg President Jack R. Ohle. "His expertise was invaluable to securing bonding for the renovation and

expansion of the Student Center and Science Center. He also was instrumental in restructuring the employee benefits plan. He had a tireless sense of enthusiasm and a passionate commitment to the church and to his alma mater."

A native of Delphos, Ohio, Truesdale graduated from International School of Business in Fort Wayne, Ind., then worked as a planning analyst for Lincoln National Life Insurance Company from 1962 to 1966. During those years, he also served as youth director of Bethany Lutheran Church and attended Indiana University at Fort

Wayne. He transferred to Wartburg in 1966 and graduated *magna cum laude* in 1967.

He was a Wartburg admissions counselor and associate director of admissions from 1967 to 1970, then registrar until 1976. During that time, he met his wife, Barbara, who was teaching in the English department.

In 1976, Vern was named director of finance for the Division for Service and Mission in America of The

American Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. From 1980 to 1986, he was assistant executive secretary of The American Lutheran Church Board of Trustees, managing finances, insurance and properties of the national church.

In 1986, he was named vice president for resource management and treasurer at Capital University,

Columbus, Ohio. His leadership there was characterized by 15 consecutive years of operating surpluses and a threefold increase in net assets. He restructured the employee benefit plan and was instrumental in upgrading campus technology. He played a key role in an \$8 million conservatory renovation, a \$14 million law school project and a \$19 million athletic and recreational facility.

Dr. Ronald Matthias '54, a colleague at both Wartburg and The ALC, said veteran observers credited Truesdale with saving Capital.

"In part, it was a matter of making the most of available resources," said Matthias at the Dec. 23 memorial service. "Beyond that, it was a matter of creatively marshaling new resources. Vern was the man who 'put it all together.' It was a monumental achievement."

In 1998, Truesdale received Capital's Stellinghorn Award for "outstanding and devoted service." He also served on the boards of Lutheran Senior City and Lutheran Social Services of Ohio and was president of the Bexley Area Chamber of Commerce.

Vern is survived by his wife, Barbara of Waverly; his children, Beth, and her husband, Graeme McCullough, of London, England, Sara of Minneapolis, Minn., and David, a senior at St. Olaf College; his mother, Myrtle Truesdale of Delphos, Ohio; and his sisters and their husbands, Dorothy and David Robinson and Linda and Arthur Chapman, all of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Memorials may be directed to Wartburg College. Messages from the memorial service are online at www.wartburg.edu/campusministry/sermons.html.

DANCING – Vern and Barbara Truesdale began dancing together at Wartburg, where they met as faculty/staff members.

FAMILY MAN – Vern enjoyed following all of his children's activities, and this photo formed the basis of Sara Truesdale's remarks at the memorial service, where she concluded, "His spirit will live on as we strive to hold up others as he held up us."



Planned giving resources now on Web site

Wartburg has launched a new planned giving Web site to help donors stay current with estate planning and planned giving issues.

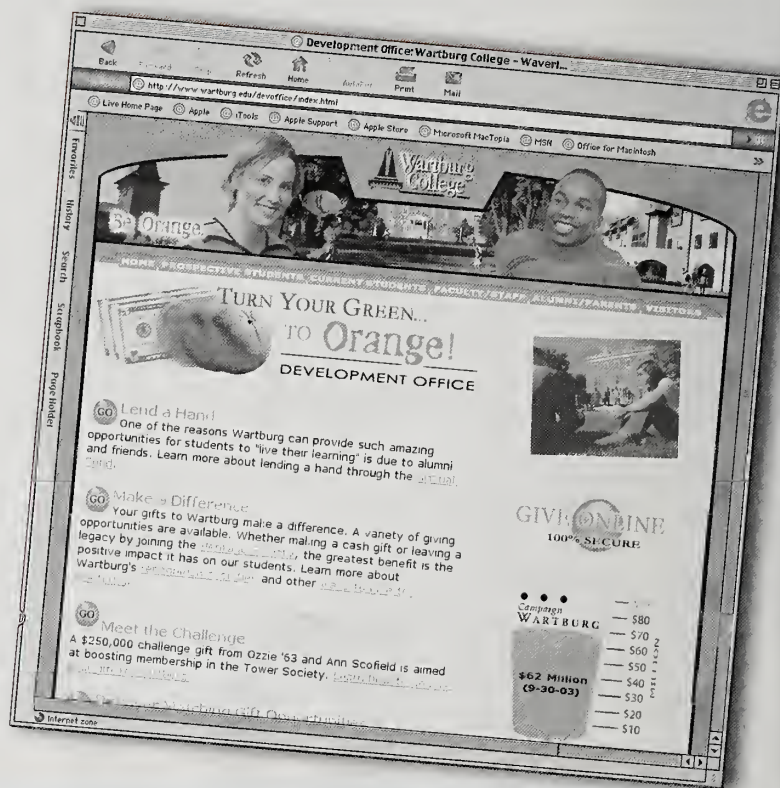
The site is a comprehensive resource for all gift-planning questions, such as tax and income benefits for various planned gifts. It offers in-depth articles on trusts and annuities that provide lifelong income; gifts through life insurance policies, retirement plan assets or appreciated property; and ways of structuring a will to ensure maximum benefits for heirs, not the government.

Other features:

- Access hundreds of up-to-date articles on making the most of your charitable giving.
- Calculate your income tax deduction for charitable gifts.
- Discover a virtual encyclopedia of information on how and what to give.
- Utilize an online glossary of planned giving terms.

To access the site, go to <http://www.wartburg.edu/devoffice/index.html> and click the "Make a Difference" orange. You can also access the site by going to the Wartburg home page, www.wartburg.edu, and clicking the "Turn Your Green to Orange" link.

Contact Duff Ridgeway '92, director of development, toll-free at 866-219-9115 with questions.



Donna and Steve Brady '75

Bradys continuing a legacy

Steve '75 and Donna Brady have dedicated their lives to making a difference for others.

The Bradys live in Edgewood with their three children: John, a student at Edgewood-Colesburg High School; Lucas, a freshman at the University of Northern Iowa; and Ben '05.

Although they face college bills for the next few years, the Bradys have continued their support of Youth for Christ and the Community Dreams Park in Edgewood. The Community Dreams Park is a program that will build athletic complexes to support little league, football, track and other sports.

In addition, the Bradys are strong supporters of Campaign Wartburg. "We wanted to give something back and share the success we've had in life, which began to form at Wartburg," Steve explained. "People before me made commitments at Wartburg to make a difference in my life. Now I feel it's my turn to do the same."

The Bradys were happy when their oldest son chose Wartburg.

"When Ben decided to attend Wartburg, feelings of great pride returned for my alma mater," Steve said. "I knew he would not only receive the same quality education, but that he would take advantage of the same opportunities available to him that were available to me."

122 make online donations over 8-week period

Between mid-November and mid-January online donors contributed more than \$29,000 to Wartburg.

More than 25 percent of the gifts came from first-time donors, according to Duff Ridgeway '92, director of development.

"The ability to make gifts to Wartburg online gives our donors an easy and fun way to make a difference in the program of their choice," said Ridgeway.

To make an online donation, log on at www.wartburg.edu and click the "Turn Your Green to Orange" link.

CASE honors Ohle

President Jack R. Ohle was honored for his longtime leadership and service to the Council of Advancement and Support of Education at the District VI conference in Denver, Colo., in January.

Ohle was recognized for outstanding leadership and commitment. He served as chair of CASE International from 2001 to 2003 and has been a member of CASE since its inception in 1974.

Throughout the years, Ohle held many volunteer leadership positions on the district level. On the national level, he served on the CASE Board of Trustees from 1994 to 2003, chairing its Commission on Philanthropy from 1994 to 1997. In July 1998, he was elected to a two-year term as treasurer of the organization's board of directors. He was subsequently elected to a two-year term as chair. He received a District VI Distinguished Service Award in 1998.



HONORED – CASE District VI Chair Sherri Schmidt was on hand when CASE honored President Jack R. Ohle for his longtime leadership and service. Schmidt is associate executive director of the North Dakota State University Alumni Association.

Viewpoints from the Board of Regents

Dr. Arthur T. King

Home: Winston-Salem, N.C.

Hometown: Hale County, Ala.

Family: wife Rosa Marie King; sons Donald and Kevin; grandsons Bryant, Jordan and Jackson

Profession: Dean, School of Business and Economics – Winston-Salem State University

Education: Bachelor of Science degree in biology, Tuskegee University; Master of Science degree in economics, South Dakota State University; Ph.D. degree in economics, University of Colorado



Making the Wartburg connection

Mary Margaret Smith, former Wartburg academic dean, and I were classmates in the American College of Education fellows program during 1993-94. When she and former President Robert Vogel asked me to serve on the board, I agreed.

In May 2002, my wife and I traveled with the board to Eisenach, Germany, to visit the Wartburg Castle. The trip was marked by an exceptional opportunity to understand where the college came from and connect with its roots.

Forming a bond

Although I am not an alumnus of the college, my time on the board has been marked by ease of association. I think being in the higher education industry for the past 20-plus years has given me the opportunity to understand the industry. There are a lot less differences between institutions than many people believe. Winston-Salem State University is a historically black college and twice the size of Wartburg. Despite this, I have noticed many more similarities than differences between the two.

Wartburg fills a need

In my time with the board, I have brought a general understanding of the academic affairs, from curriculum management to understanding the academic process. I think that in many respects, Wartburg is like most small, private, residential college campuses across the country; it fills a very important niche in higher education. I have been pleased to be associated with Wartburg.

Wartburg joins plan to cut cost of tuition

Wartburg has joined the national Independent 529 Plan, which offers parents relief from rising tuition costs.

Under the plan, parents can lock in current tuition rates by purchasing a tuition certificate for their child. When the child reaches college age, the certificate can then be redeemed at participating colleges. Seven Iowa colleges are among 220 institutions across the country now participating in the program, including Central College, Graceland University, Loras College, Luther College, Northwestern College, Waldorf College and Wartburg.

According to an article from the *Des Moines Register*, average private college tuition and fees increased nearly \$5,000 between 1992-93 and 2002-03.

Parents can open accounts for \$25, but contributions must total at least \$500 within two years. Parents lock in tuition rates at the end of the year.

As a result, parents or grandparents of a 3-year-old child can invest \$100 per month in the 529 plan during 2004. At the end of the year, they will receive a \$1,200 certificate. The certificate is good toward a portion of that year's tuition cost at a participating institution when the child is ready to attend college in 2019. In addition, each participating college discounts its tuition by at least one-half percent.

The plan is the first national program of its kind. The plan gets its name from the Internal Revenue Code that created it. Plan earnings are tax-deferred and free of federal income tax when used for qualified college expenses.

If the child opts to attend a nonparticipating college, the certificate can be transferred to another family member, the purchaser, or it can be refunded.

"This is one of the many ways Wartburg works to keep its distinctive educational experience affordable and accessible to families," said President Jack R. Ohle, who serves on the national Independent 529 Plan board.

More information about the plan is available at www.independent529plan.org or by calling the toll-free number, 888-718-7878.

College hosts Leadership Iowa conference on Education

Wartburg and the City of Waverly hosted the third session of the 2003-04 Leadership Iowa Conference Dec. 11-12. Education was the conference theme.

Dr. Troyce Fisher, executive director of the School Administrators of Iowa, offered the keynote address, "So, Where Do We Go From Here?" The conference also included a special panel discussion on "The State and Future of Education in Iowa" featuring Wartburg President Jack R. Ohle, University of Northern Iowa President Robert Koob, Hawkeye Community College President Bettsey Barhorst and Waverly-Shell Rock K-12 Superintendent Stan Slessor.

Dr. Les Huth '58, professor emeritus of education, gave a presentation on the Walter Cunningham Teachers Project. Huth coordinates the project. Conference participants also toured Bremwood Lutheran Children's Home and took a tour of Waverly economic development projects.

Leadership Iowa annually selects enterprising men and women from across Iowa to interact on a range of issues including economic development, education, government and more. This eight-month leadership development program helps cultivate Iowa's future leaders.

'WalkingWorks' program promotes wellness

by Alaina Akkerman '06

Wartburg faculty and staff joined the Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield "WalkingWorks" program in January.

The program focuses on walking to control weight, lower cholesterol, strengthen the heart and reduce the likelihood of serious health problems down the road.

"It doesn't require participants to exert a lot of effort, sweat or even change their clothes," said Ann Arns, chair of the health, physical education and athletics department. "The more proactive we are now, the better off we'll all be in the future."

Wartburg ordered 300 pedometers for benefits-eligible employees to use with the program which began with a "Walking across Iowa" by participating teams.

Akkerman is a public relations and marketing major from Holland.

Tri-Beta honored for years of highway cleanup

by Sarah Gubl '06
reprinted from the Trumpet

Beta Beta Beta, Wartburg's biology honor society, received the Governor's Volunteer Award for 10 years of picking up litter along Highway 3 east of Waverly.

The Iowa Department of Transportation established this award in 1982 to recognize volunteers who serve Iowa's state agencies and other organizations.

"Tri Beta is dedicated to promoting biology and the services we do," said Craig Hemsath '04 of Rowley, Adopt-a-Highway co-chair. "I think the award shows we've been dedicated to cleaning our little part of the environment for 10 years now."

Tri Beta president Sarah Gibbons '04 of Jacksonville, Ill., agrees. "I am proud that Tri Beta received the award for Adopt-a-Highway because it acknowledges our commitment to giving something back to not only the Wartburg community but also to the community outside of our campus."

Gubl is a communication arts major from Des Moines.

New scholarship honors college, seminary founder

by Linda Moeller '66

A new scholarship agreement between Wartburg College and Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque honors the Rev. Wilhelm Löhe, whose vision led to the establishment of both institutions.

Through the agreement, dependents of faculty and staff members at the college and the seminary will qualify for Wilhelm Löhe Scholarships. Wartburg College will offer up to two full-tuition Löhe Scholarships per year to dependents of Wartburg Theological Seminary faculty and staff.

In return, the seminary will expand eligibility for its Löhe Scholarships. Previously, two full-tuition scholarships have been available each year to Wartburg College graduates. Under the new agreement, dependents of Wartburg College faculty and staff will also be eligible.

College President Jack R. Ohle described the agreement as one of the many ways in which the two Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) institutions have cooperated in mutually beneficial endeavors.

"The college's Sesquicentennial celebration in 2002 and the seminary's 150th observance in 2004 afford numerous opportunities to gain a much deeper understanding of the rich shared history and foundation upon which both institutions are building for the future," he said.

Ohle received an honorary degree from the seminary in 2001. Dr. Duane Larson, seminary president, received an honorary degree from the college in 2002.

"This is an added benefit for our faculty and staff," said Larson, noting that seminary faculty and staff, unlike their ELCA college colleagues, have no tuition-remission benefits for undergraduate education. "Likewise, the seminary scholarships will offer college faculty and staff a previously unavailable benefit for graduate study."

The college's *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings* initiative enables more partnerships that will enhance the college and seminary curricula and provide support to students preparing for church vocations.

Dr. Lake Lambert, project director, said the Löhe Scholarships support the church's need for effective, well-educated leadership. "We also hope the scholarships will provide a further incentive in both institutions' efforts to recruit and retain high-quality faculty and staff," he added.



SCHOLARS – The college's first Löhe Scholarships were awarded Sarah Nesson '07, center, and Jonathan Ramse '07, right, shown with Dr. Lake Lambert, director of the *Discovering and Claiming Our Callings* initiative. Nesson is the daughter of the Rev. Dr. Craig and Cathy Nesson. Her father is academic dean and associate professor of contextual theology at Wartburg Seminary. Ramse is the son of Dr. David and Miriam Ramse, and his father is assistant professor of community development and witness.

Manna to raise hunger awareness

by Chelsea Krobe '05

reprinted from the Trumpet

Student leaders have formed Manna, a new college faith expression group.

The concept of Manna, a biblical reference to the food that Abraham and the Israelites ate in the desert, originated after Seth Clarkson '06, Laura Holzrichter '06 and Nate Kerl '04 listened to a presentation given by Tammy Walhof in the chapel. Walhof, a regional organizer for the Bread of the World organization, encourages students to take service and turn it into justice, according to Manna adviser Barbara Truesdale.

After chapel, Clarkson said he and the others talked to Walhof about forming a hunger awareness group on campus with help from Bread for the World. However, after learning that a campus chapter would have to pay dues to Bread for the World, the students decided to form their own group.

Activities include a variety of hunger justice activities, such as helping Habitat for Humanity organize campus Hunger and Homelessness Week.

Krobe is a public relations major from Davenport.

Music department hosts conference

The Wartburg music department hosted the Iowa Music Educators National Conference collegiate conference Jan. 24.

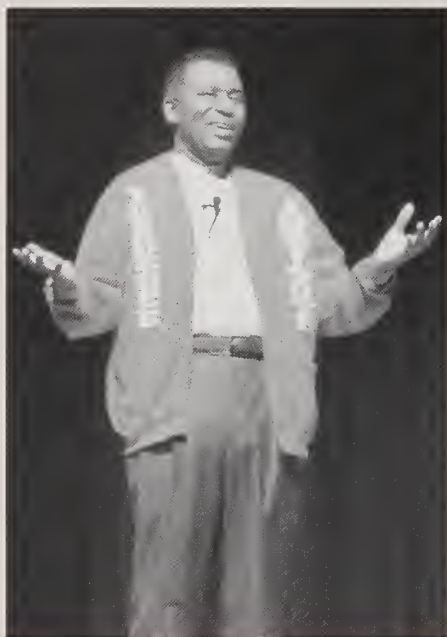
The all-day event was geared toward college music education majors. Workshops offered information on show choir, flags, teaching ethics, methodologies, beginning band and choir and alternatives to school music teaching, including community choirs, church choirs and private studies.

Wartburg's Iowa Music Educators National Conference chapter was awarded the 2002-03 Collegiate Membership Chapter Growth Award.

Worth Repeating

I was not about to play the part of that little colored boy. They killed my daddy and were not going to blame it on me. They could take me and string me up outside that courthouse, but they weren't going to blame anything on me.

– Carl Raye, from *A Killing in Choctaw*, the play based on his life and presented at convocation Jan. 20



FORGIVENESS – Carl Raye's one-man play, *A Killing in Choctaw*, included messages of forgiveness and redemption.

I just wanted to let you know that I just completed my 2003 donation to Wartburg online. What a great option – not only the joy of giving but air miles through my credit card, too! I love the redesigned Wartburg Web site. That orange really pops.

– Corrine H. (Heine) Thomson '79 of Minneapolis in an e-mail to a Wartburg development officer

People in Iowa take their role as the first-in-the-nation caucus state seriously. They talk to the candidates face to face, learn about the issues and are willing to spend a few hours on a winter night discussing their choices.

– Dr. Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts, in a Jan. 20 *USA Today* editorial defending the Iowa caucuses as the proper way to begin the presidential selection process

There are the sports memories, of course, but we also remember the music of the choir on tour and Christmas with Wartburg and the friendship and guidance of faculty members beyond the confines of classroom and curricula. There were many friendships with fellow students that would extend beyond graduation through the remainder of his life. And there were the traditions of Wartburg – traditions that inspired faith in God and faith in the values of a life well and fully lived. All he learned and loved at Wartburg he carried into his subsequent years. They were all too short, those years, but they were good years. Wherever he went, whomever he met, he told the Wartburg story.

– Remarks by Don Huston at the induction of his son, the late Daniel Huston '85, into the Wartburg Athletic Hall of Fame



HONORED – Dr. Norman Borlaug received an honorary doctorate from the college.

When I was born nearly 90 years ago, there were 1.6 billion people in the world. Today, there are 6.2 billion people, and another 80 million added yearly. We (in the Midwest) use corn for seed. Sure, it's a food for us, too, but we've got meat and milk and a variety of other foods. The Third World doesn't have that choice. For people in the Third World, corn is a staple food.

– 1970 Nobel Peace Prize winner and Cresco native Dr. Norman Borlaug, founder of the World Food Prize, who spoke at Wartburg Oct. 20

WARTBURG

Orange and black are colors two!
At this special place you will always
have something to do,
At Homecoming I love to go to the
Octoberfest

The food and the music
is always the best,
If I can't go there
it makes me blue

Wouldn't you like to come too?

– Poem by Madison Ott, age 8,
of Loveland, Colo., daughter of
Brad '88 and Christina Ott and
granddaughter of Dr. Marv Ott '61
and Dr. Jan Wegenast Ott '63

My son, Daniel, was wearing his Wartburg College sweatshirt to his preschool about one year ago. Another mother was dropping her child off at the school and said to my wife, Cathleen, 'Oh, how cute. Isn't that where Harry Potter goes to school?'

— Denis Huston '82 of Orinda, Calif., father of Daniel, now 5, and Emily, 3

For people who live in Afghan society, it is difficult to talk about family. But I tell American students my story so you know you must never take freedom for granted. I started from absolute zero three times. This is the story of many Afghans, the fortunate ones who survived.

— Farooka Gauhari, author of *Searching for Saleem: An Afghan Woman's Odyssey*, at convocation Oct. 21



CULTURAL EXCHANGE — Farooka Guhari, left, chats with Biljana Tolova '05 of Negotino, Macedonia, following Ghuari's convocation address.



EXPANSION — Cardinal Construction Co. of Waterloo expects to complete the Grossmann Hall addition by the time students arrive on campus in September.

College, Cardinal partner on Grossmann project

Wartburg has joined with a Cedar Valley contractor to offer a creative alternative to a shortage of residence hall space.

Last fall, Cardinal Construction of Waterloo began construction on a \$5.5 million facility east of the current Grossmann Hall. It will be completed in time for Fall Term 2004.

Cardinal Construction is building and financing the project, working closely with the college on construction plans and other details. The company will have the college manage the new facility like other residence halls on campus. Ultimately, Cardinal Construction will gift the building to the college.

"We are pleased to partner with Cardinal Construction in this unique way, which enables us to enhance our campus for current and future Wartburg students."

— President Jack R. Ohle

The arrangement helps the college meet an immediate need for increased residential housing space as well as prepare for future enrollment growth, said President Jack R. Ohle.

"We are committed to providing a four-year, residential experience for Wartburg students, and this project will provide a first-class facility in which that can happen," he added. "We are pleased to partner with Cardinal Construction in this unique way, which enables us to enhance our campus for current and future Wartburg students."

FOOTBALL

Record-setting season concludes with multiple honors

A group of 23 seniors led a team that saw Wartburg continue to stake its claim as one of the premier teams in NCAA Division III. They ended the season ranked No. 6 by the American Football Coaches Association and No. 4 by *Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette* and D3Football.com.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 11 wins for the first time in school history
- Undefeated in the Iowa Conference, joining the 1999 team as the only teams in school history to finish the regular season undefeated
- Earned the Knights' second consecutive home playoff win
- NCAA playoffs' Sweet 16 for the second consecutive season and third time since 1999.

AWARDS

Most Valuable Player — Cody Kelley '04, Tipton All-Americans (AFCA, Don Hansen, College SIDs, D3Football.com) — Kelley; Vince King '04, Burlington; Jeff Voreis '04, Minneapolis; Matt Stoffel '04, Dubuque

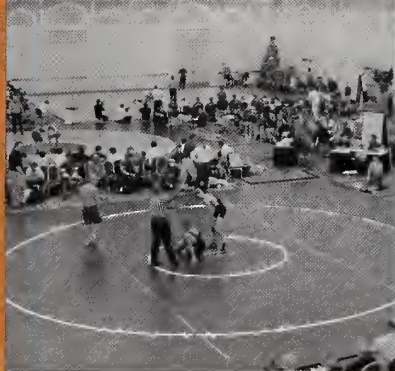
All-region (Don Hansen) — Kelley; King; Voreis — first team; Stoffel; Brad Hodapp '04, Solon; Andy Heitman '05, Marengo — second team

All-conference — Hodapp; Voreis; Heitman; Winter; Kelley; King; Stoffel; Reggie Doby '07, Gibsonton, Fla.; Brian McIntire '05, Clear Lake; Justin Bishop '04, Center Point — first team; Hoskins; Mark Giesmann '05, Waverly — second team

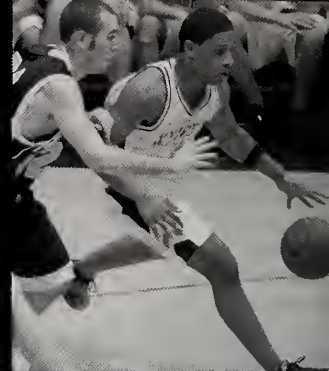
Academic all-conference — Adam Ostendorf '04, Rockwell; Giesmann; Mike Bouska '05, Dunkerton; Steve Nus '04, Muscatine

Academic all-district — Giesmann — first team

Academic All-American — Giesmann — first team



DESERT DUALS — The defending NCAA Division III national wrestling champions hosted a 10-team field in Las Vegas in December.



Severson reaches coaching milestone



WINNER — Monica Severson, foreground, in her 16th season as women's basketball head coach, reached the 300-win milestone during the 2003-04 campaign.

Monica Severson, Wartburg's winningest women's basketball coach, added another chapter to her successful 16-year career Jan. 9. She picked up her 300th win when the Knights stopped Coe 70-53.

The Colman, S.D., native is second among active Iowa Conference coaches in career wins and is listed in the top 35 of NCAA Division III in wins and winning percentage.

Severson wasn't the only one to grab some history that evening. Forward Jessica Mennen '04 of Dumont earned her 500th career rebound in the victory.

Soccer men reach new heights to highlight 2003

The Knights continued during the fall season to prove Wartburg is a growing power.

The men's team made history, winning the school's first Iowa Conference postseason tournament title and gaining an NCAA Division III national tournament berth. The women qualified for the conference tournament for the third consecutive year.

Wartburg's men, entering the IIAC tourney as the No. 2 seed behind regular season tournament champion Loras, defeated reigning champion Luther in the semifinals before stopping the Duhawks in the final. Four days later during a cold November day in St. Peter, Minn., the Knights battled Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference power Gustavus Adolphus before succumbing on a penalty kick shootout to the Gusties.

The women's squad gave conference power Simpson a strong run in the quarterfinals of the IIAC tourney before

falling by a 3-0 count. The team ended the year with an 8-10 record.

AWARDS

Most Valuable Players — Men: Kirk Artist '06, Glenwood

Women: Tiffany Treanor '05, Dubuque; Sara Phillips '05, Zearing

All-region — Verne Houston '05, Omaha, Neb.

All-conference — Men: Houston; Scott Hill '06, Mundelein, Ill.; Zach Prieve '06, Lodi, Wis. — first team; Kirk Artist '06, Glenwood; Jeremy McEver '05, Olathe, Kan.; Collin Lane '05, Muscatine — second team

Women: Mindy Viering '04, Blue Grass; Katie Rapp '05, Bettendorf — first team; Kristin Beck '07, Bettendorf — second team

Academic all-conference — Men: Armin Muhamedagic '04, Waterloo; Ian MacNaughton '05, Kingswood, Texas; Seth Rowland '05, Des Moines; Nick Wuertz '06, Waverly

Women: Annie Fox '05, Cedar Rapids; Cassy Dearborn '04, Ankeny; Chelsea Krohe '05, Davenport; Katie Morgart '05, Waterloo; Michelle Bethel '06, Wichita, Kan.

Academic all-district — Dearborn

TO THE RACK – Forward Rance Cartmill '06 of Burlington drives down the baseline for the Wartburg men's basketball team.



WHOSE BALL? – Center Amanda Berner '05 of Calamus waits for word from the official as she is surrounded by Gustavus Adolphus players.

Dohlman makes volleyball history

Outside hitter Dia Dohlman '04 of Eldora was tabbed the first American Volleyball Coaches Association Division III All-American honoree in school history with the announcement of the top three teams and honorable mention squad in December.

A second team selection, she was one of two Iowa Conference players on the top three units. Right side hitter Amy Kueker '04 of Waverly was one of two league players to gain honorable mention accolades.

Dohlman, a three-time all-region and first team all-conference honoree, ended her Knights volleyball career as the all-time leader in single-season and career kills and attack attempts and single-season and career digs as well as career digs per game. Kueker narrowly missed the program's all-time record for career and single-season service aces, ending second in both categories.

Giesmann continues academic success

Punter Mark Giesmann '05 of Waverly was named to the 2003 academic All-American college division football squads' first team, selected by CoSida. His selection marked the sixth straight season where a Knights football player earned either first or second team academic All-American honors.

Giesmann, the only Iowa Conference honoree on either team, majors in mathematics and engineering and is the 55th academic All-American for Wartburg since 1970.

Director's Cup update

Wartburg is fourth in the 2003-04 United States Sports Academy Director's Cup Division III standings, with the completion of the fall sports season.

The Knights athletic program has earned 265 points, just 10 behind third-place UW-La Crosse. Wartburg's is the highest ranking of any Division III school with enrollment of 2,000 or less.

The Director's Cup was developed as a joint effort between the National Association of

Collegiate Directors of Athletics and *USA Today*. The U.S. Sports Academy, based in Daphne, Ala., is in its first year of sponsoring the program. Points are based on each institution's finish in up to 18 sports – nine women's and nine men's. Each national team champion receives 100 points.

In the 2002-03 Directors Cup standings, Wartburg ranked in the nation's top 10 Division III colleges. It was the highest finish for any Iowa four-year college or university and for all Division III public or private institutions enrolling 2,000 or fewer students.

CROSS COUNTRY

Dual individual national champions highlight 2003 season

The 2003 Wartburg cross country season produced more history for an already tradition-rich program.

Missy Buttry '05 of Shenandoah repeated as national champion, and Josh Moen '05 of Fairbank won his first title, making the Knights the first teams in Division III to earn individual national crowns in the same year. The men finished fifth, five spots higher than any previous finish in school history. The women finished 14th.

Moen made his move away from the lead pack at the three-mile mark and continued to pull away for the rest of the 8K race. He finished 29 seconds ahead of the second runner with a meet record of 24:34.

On the women's side, Buttry claimed her second consecutive national championship. The phenom broke away from the pack and crossed the line in 20:00.2 for the 6-kilometer course, one minute and three seconds ahead of the second-place runner.

AWARDS

Most Valuable Runners – Women: Buttry, Men: Moen
All-Americans – Buttry, Moen

All-region – Men: Moen; Keith Solverson '06, Fort Dodge; Adam Tjeerdsma '04, Aplington
Women: Buttry; Katie Croker '04, Marshalltown; Beth Neal '05, Williamsburg

All-conference – Men: Mitch Allen '05, Omaha, Neb.; Jeff Davis '06, Shenandoah; Moen; Solverson; Tjeerdsma; Kevin Balster '07, Monticello; Tyler Mueller '07, DeWitt

Women: Buttry; Croker; Liz Ericson '04, Red Wing, Minn.; Brooke Ferguson '05, Laurens; Neal; Jill Wagaman '07, Dysart

Academic all-conference – Women: Croker; Neal; Jannae Holubar '05, Marshalltown; Lisa Lee '04, Waverly; Dawn Sporrer '04, Glidden

VOLLEYBALL

Team claims 2nd consecutive conference tourney title

Wartburg ran the table as the No. 4 seed at the 2003 Iowa Conference Volleyball Championships for the second straight season, defeating sixth-seeded Buena Vista 30-26, 30-23, 30-24 in the championship match Nov. 8 at Knights Gymnasium.

The 2003 Central Region championship was almost added to the Knights' resume. Wartburg dropped a five-set thriller to eventual national champion Washington University of St. Louis a week after the conference tournament.

AWARDS

Most Valuable Player – Dia Dohlman '04, Eldora
All-American – Dohlman
All-region – Dohlman; Amy Kueker '04, Waverly
All-conference – Dohlman, Kueker – first team;
Sheena Treanor '07, Dubuque – second team
Academic all-conference – Dohlman; Sarah Olsen, '05, Osage
Academic all-district – Dohlman; Olsen

WOMEN'S GOLF

Knights put name on national map

Wartburg continued a steady progression on the links in the fall of 2003.

After earning a second consecutive top three Iowa Conference finish, the Knights were placed in Golfstat's NCAA Division III top 10. In the Oct. 28 ranking, Wartburg was ranked No. 8. The team also won an invitational title for the first time in program history.

Wartburg ended the fall portion of the 2003-04 season with a 63-12 head-to-head record in tournament play. The Knights rallied back after placing third at Luther and fifth at Loras the week before to end third behind Buena Vista and Simpson at the 2003 Iowa Conference Championships in October.

AWARDS

All-conference – Erin Dohlman '06, Ostrander, Minn.;
Amanda McMahan '04, Keokuk
Academic all-conference – Lindsey Huinker '06,
Lawler; Breanne Pleggenkuhle '06, Clear Lake

Kelley turns opportunity into All-American season

by Mark Adkins '90

Head football coach Rick Willis calls Cody Kelley '04 a "unique individual," because the Tipton native made the most of his final season with the Knights.

Becoming the first Wartburg football starter to play both ways on a full-time basis since Brian Albert '77 played linebacker and running back in the early 1970s, Kelley took the roles of starting wide receiver and defensive back for the Knights. He ended his career as the all-time leader in interceptions (22) and set a new standard for single-season receptions (60).

Kelley took the dual role full time in 2003 out of necessity. "It came about because of an injury to Chris Winter late in the 2002 season," Willis said. "We needed another receiver quickly, and Cody was our choice. I figured he could handle the situation, having played both ways in a limited role in 2002."

Kelley still likes the defensive side of the ball the best. "It's fun getting a chance to hit people," he said. "However, it was great to have a chance to do both things on a team that did so much for the program. It was awesome playing with this group of guys and raising the bar again for Wartburg football."

Kelley's biggest challenge may have come in the preseason.

"There was a learning curve with this in getting to know the offense," he said. "It was a lot to take in, and I was a little concerned with the endurance of playing a whole game both ways."



BIG HIT – Cody Kelley '04 of Tipton drives down a Peru State wide receiver in the opening game of the 2003 season. Kelley finished the year with 26 tackles.

Kelley was named American Football Coaches Association All-American – Wartburg's first since 2001. He also played in the AFCA's Aztec Bowl all-star game. Despite a loss by the D-III all-stars to a Mexican all-star team, Kelley relished the experience.

"It was just a good opportunity to get to know a lot of other great guys," he said. "You always play against them and want to stop them in games, but you sometimes don't get a chance to meet them off the field. I've been fortunate to

develop some friendships due to that Aztec Bowl experience."

If he handles making a move toward the next level like he did the two-way starter role, Kelley could be playing on Sundays, which is his ultimate dream.

"I'll be continuing workouts to keep in shape for whatever might be down the road," he said. "It's just a matter of waiting and seeing what happens."

First-year students with alumni parents

YEAR	PARENT	STUDENT	HOMETOWN
1966	Kenneth Swenson	Tanner	Osage
	Mary (Charlson) Swenson	Tanner	Osage
1971	David Buchholz	Daniel	Fayette
	Paul Kramer	Whitney	Rochester, Minn.
1973	Mary (Walker) Fetter	Megan	Manchester
	Thomas Fetter	Megan	Manchester
	Bruce Lenhart	Lucas	Keystone
	Brenda Otto	Whitney Kramer	Rochester, Minn.
	Sue (Zuehl) Rendall	Lydia	Almond, Wis.
	Steven Schuchmann	Brent	West Des Moines
1974	Jean (Guetzlaff) Potratz	Andrew	Janesville
	Bernard Rost	Brandt	Manson
	Kim (Thompson) Rost	Brandt	Manson
1975	Candace (Fredrick) Brekhus	Thomas	Irving, Texas
	Fay Ellis-Berry	Jerriel Berry	Milwaukee
	Robert Kruger	Erin	Alexander
	Janell (Johansen) Moburg	Alicia	Paynesville, Minn.
	Beth (Burzlaff) Rupe	Annina	Davenport
1977	Ronald Andreesen	Kurt	Center Junction
	Julie (Springer) Burkey	Matthew	Fredericksburg
	Edmund Dobelis	Kara	Ogden
	Brad Shipman	Nathan	Van Meter
1978	Scott Radechel	Emily	Goldfield
	Ann Uriell	John	Waverly
1979	Michael Heiter	Bethany	Charles City
	Twyla Prall-Wilken	Blake Wilken	Odebolt
	David Wilken	Blake	Odebolt
1980	Ruth (Weltzin) Frush	Micala	Jesup
	Paula (Laube) Hemingson	Katelyn	Waverly
	Jeffrey Howe	Stephanie	Clinton
	Teri (Kleppe) Howe	Stephanie	Clinton
	David Schaefer	Bradley	Clear Lake
	Valerie (Bakker) Schaefer	Bradley	Clear Lake
	Mary (Christensen) Shipman	Nathan	Van Meter
1982	Anthony Burbach	Anthony	Dubuque
	Craig Clefisch	Lyndsi	Marion
1984	Mark Borchardt	Melinda	Cedar Rapids
	Sherry (Bremer) Borchardt	Melinda	Cedar Rapids
1985	Laura (Sathoff) Diemer	Desiree	Cedar Falls
1986	Mary (Franklin) Clefisch	Lyndsi	Marion
1999	Diane Ryherd	Annette Fischels	Denver



FAMILY AFFAIR – Emily Radechel '07, shown with dad Scott Radechel '78, left, and Whitney Kramer '07, with parents Brenda Otto '73 and Paul Kramer '71, are among the first-year students with alumni parents.

Alumni Choir Reunion set for June 17-20

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

Noon Golf at Centennial Oaks for those interested
5 p.m. Registration/Housing
7:30 p.m. First Session

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

Morning Sectionals and Full Group Rehearsals
Afternoon Free Time
4:30-6 p.m. Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Pool Party at Torkelsons'

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

Morning Rehearsals
Afternoon Rehearsals
Evening Free Time

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Morning Sing at Waverly churches
10:30 a.m. President's Brunch at Greenwood
3 p.m. Concert in the Wartburg Chapel
4:30 p.m. Afterglow at Koenemans'

For registration materials, contact the Alumni Office at alumni@wartburg.edu, 319-352-8491 or 800-772-2085, extension 8491.



Dr. James Fritschel '51, director



Dr. Paul Torkelson '76, director



Dr. Suzanne Torkelson '77, accompanist

Be Orange. Outfly 2004!

Saturday, April 24

Chicago, in conjunction with
Cubs game TENTATIVE

Monday, July 19

Cedar Rapids, TENTATIVE

Thursday, August 19

Des Moines

Thursday, August 26

Cedar Valley, Campus

TBA

Mount Pleasant area
Cedar Rapids area

Thursday, June 24

Milwaukee, Wis.

Sundays, June 13 or 27

Twin Cities, in conjunction
with St. Paul Saints game,
TENTATIVE

Tuesday, June 29

Omaha/Council Bluffs

Alumnus believes 'it's never too late'

by Alaina Akkerman '06

When Dr. Edwin Wolfgram '54 was 48, he couldn't run to the end of the block.

Now at the age of 70, Wolfgram is the 2003 world champion Hawaiian Ironman in the 70 to 74 age group and a two-time medalist in the 65-69 age group. The full-time psychiatrist is also a popular speaker on health and mental health. He and his wife, Dorothea, co-wrote *It's Never Too Late, Dr. Ed Wolfgram's Book of Fitness*.

Wolfgram was born on a farm near Maynard, the youngest of five children, during the third-year of the Depression.

As he grew older, he saw some of his "contemporaries felled by heart disease and strokes." He felt he needed to do something to keep his own health up.

He began running with a group of doctors. At first he could barely run a block and felt he was slowing the group down. Three months later, Wolfgram was hooked on running on his own and soon was competing in 10k races. Within three years, Wolfgram was running fast enough to qualify for the Boston Marathon.

"I was doing well, but my knees were taking a beating, especially from an old football injury," he recalls. "Although running was sometimes painful, I didn't want to give it up."

Soon he discovered triathlons and qualified for his first World Championship Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii in 1988 at the age of 55. He finished eighth out of 34. By 1998, he was second in the world in his 64-69 age group and the top American. In 2003, he beat his nearest competitors with a 45-minute lead, finishing in 13 hours and 25 minutes.

Akkerman is a public relations and marketing major from Holland.

1942

Dr. WILLIAM WEHRMACHER, Chicago, Ill., is clinical professor of medicine and adjunct professor of physiology at Loyola Stritch School of Medicine, Maywood, Ill. His group has published two new manuscripts on thrombo-embolism: *Studies Comparing Low Molecular Weight Heparin with Heparin for the Treatment of Thromboembolism and Clinical Utility of Antiplatelet Drugs, Revisited*.

1951

Dr. Roy and HELEN REMMERS KINTNER have moved to Memphis Tenn., after

eight years in Thousand Oaks, Calif., where Roy was organic chemistry senior mentor at California Lutheran University.

1958

Dr. JOHN ANDERSON, Boone, was awarded a 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Iowa Academy of Family Physicians. The award recognizes academy members who have been involved in significant community service and civic activities and serve as role models for other family physicians, residents, and/or medical students.

1960

MEREDITH STUHMER LIEMOHN, Louisville, Tenn., attended the national Keep America Beautiful conference in Washington, D.C., in December. She is a board member of Keep Blount Beautiful, which won a national second-place award in waste reduction. The award was based on the use of the learning center pavilion and "trash trail" built by Meredith's 2001 Leadership Blount class.

KEO MILLER, Arlington, Va., is doing research and providing clinical services at Bowen Center for Study of the Family, Washington, D.C., www.BowenCenter.org

1965

LEE STUMME, Dysart, manages Farmers Lumber Company operations in Dysart and La Porte City. He previously built new homes and custom cabinets and managed a lumberyard in Nashua.

1966

SUE SIEPMANN GRIEGO, Racine, Wis., retired from Case High School after 35 years as a social studies teacher and school librarian.

CAROL LEGREID IVERSON, Grundy Center, retired in June after 37 years as a second-grade teacher in the Grundy Center School District.

CHRISTIE FISHER NEVENHOVEN, Long Grove, retired in June after 32 years of teaching first grade in the North Scott School District.

1969

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JAMES BOSSOM Jr., Postville, retired after 34 years of teaching biology and anatomy/physiology at Postville Community High School and coaching girls athletics.

RICH GAARD, Decorah, was promoted to full colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve. He is in charge of the State Liaison Officer Team, which helps recruit students for West Point Academy, and is attached to the headquarters staff in Japan as an executive officer. He continues as marketing education coordinator and golf coach at Decorah High School and also serves on Sen. Tom Harkin's selection committee for the military academies.

DARLYCE HAMANN, New Hampton, retired in May after 34 years of teaching and learning with fourth-graders in the New Hampton Community School District.

BARRY KRAUSE, Knoxville, Tenn., retired in April after 33 years of government service, most recently as senior counterintelligence officer with

the Department of Energy in Oak Ridge. He was a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation before transferring to the DOE. He continues to work on contract, doing security surveys of DOE laboratories and weapons facilities and consulting work in the area of counterintelligence.

GARY NIELSEN, Schertz, Texas, retired from public school teaching after 32 years. He now teaches social studies at Antonian College Preparatory High School in San Antonio.

1970

LINDA EVANS HERRINGTON, Omaha, Neb., retired from the Omaha Public Schools after 33 years of teaching English. She now teaches part-time at Iowa Western Community College and Metro Community College.

1971

TOM MANCHESTER, La Crosse, Wis., was inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in September. As a coach at Logan High School for 21 years, he led his teams to seven conference titles and one state tournament appearance.

STEVE NICKEL, Estes Park, Colo., achieved a first when a home designed and built by his firm was featured on the cover of *Mountain Living* magazine's 2003 Christmas issue. He co-founded The Portfolio Group in 1988. Since 1996, a number of the firm's projects have been featured in national, regional and local architectural magazines.

1972

DEB DICKMAN ANDERSON, LeMars, teaches second grade at Kluckhohn Elementary School.

1973

PEGGY HAMILTON, Castle Rock, Colo., works for IBM Global Services as an AMS technical solutions manager.

'A Mighty Fortress of skill'

The Washington Post described the Wartburg Choir as "A Mighty Fortress of skill" in headlining a March 3 review by music critic Cecella Porter.

Porter, who attended the choir's March 2 performance with Simon Estes at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., described the choir as "a chorus trained with rock-solid discipline and convinced that communal singing sometimes says more than 'ordinary' speech." The group also received accolades for its responsiveness to conductor Dr. Paul Torkelson '76 and its "impeccable intonation and excellent diction."

The critic also noted that Estes, "veteran star of opera houses around the globe, still captivates with his fabled majestic stage presence," and that his pianissimo "is worth a million bucks."

"Together with Estes and separately, the singers were at home in many styles, capturing the fresh-air ambiance of a chorus from Copland's *Tender Land* as beautifully as they did the gospel tone of *Music Down in My Soul*," the reviewer concluded.

See the entire review at <http://www.wartburg.edu/washingtonpostreview.pdf>

Estes and the choir also performed at Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis and Avery Fisher Hall in New York City.



AT KENNEDY CENTER – A few members of the Wartburg Choir pause for a photo next to the Kennedy Center Concert Hall after their performance with Simon Estes on Monday, March 1. It was Estes' birthday, and the choir serenaded him with a chorus of "Happy Birthday to You" at the end of the concert.



ON ALUMNI TOUR – A group of Wartburg alumni, parents and friends enjoyed a six-day tour of Washington, D.C., and New York City, which included attendance at the Kennedy Center and Lincoln Center concerts by Simon Estes and the Wartburg Choir. The group is returning from a visit to Ellis Island in this photo.



AT LINCOLN CENTER – Dr. Paul Torkelson '76 leads a Wartburg Choir rehearsal at Avery Fisher Hall in New York, where the choir performed with Simon Estes Wednesday, March 3.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

SANDY PARKER MOSES, Nashua, sells real estate for Roach Farms, Inc.

1974

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KATHY MOSDAL O'BRIEN, Billings, Mont., is assistant director of the academic support center at Montana State University-Billings.

1975

BRUCE COLLMANN, Manson, was elected to the Heartland Bank Board of Directors. He is manager and co-owner of the Collmann Agency, specializing in insurance and real estate sales.

CRAIG LIMING, Sierra Vista, Ariz., finished first in his age group at the World Championship Swimming Competition in Cancun, Mexico.

1977

The Rev. EARL JANSSEN, Johnstown, Pa., accepted a call to Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Severna Park, Md., effective March 1. Last June, Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries presented him with the Wolden Hall Award. His wife, LORI ORGEL '78 JANSSEN, is a psychotherapist in private practice.

1978

JANELLE GARMS and Richard Miller, Spirit Lake, were married Sept. 20.

1979

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WILLIAM S. JOHNSON, Hiram, Ohio, is vice president for development and alumni relations at Hiram College.

1981

Greg and LORA SCHUMACHER VOLKERT, Edwards, Ill., announce the Oct. 14 adoption of Sara Elizabeth, born Feb. 13, 2002, in China. She joins Emma, 5.

1983

KATHI DIEHL DIVINE, Springfield, Mo., is the office manager for Read Business Forms, LLC. She founded and serves as president of the Inspirational Outreach Association, doing business as Woman to Woman, www.w2wiop.org. The nonprofit organization distributes donated new and used books and materials to help family violence shelters across the country create on-site libraries for abused women and children.

1984

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CHERE' SCHAEFFER McFARLAND, Cody, Wyo., graduated with 4.0 high honors from Montana State University, Billings, in May with a degree in nursing. She works at Cody Clinic Family Practice, a satellite of Deaconess Billings Clinic. She married Michael McFarland Feb. 14, 2003.

1985

KAYE KRUEGER, Mason City, teaches fourth grade at Rockwell-Swaledale School.

JOHN and CARRIE ESCH MARTIN, Olympia, Wash., announce the adoption of Lisha Lynell. She was born Oct. 29, 2002, and joins Benjamin, 3.

SUSAN TUTTLE SCHMIDT, Marietta, Ga., is director of credit marketing with The Home Depot, Atlanta.

1986

John and TAMARA THOMS BIALEK, Roselle, Ill., announce the birth of Skyler Marie, Dec. 18. She joins John, 2.

Scott and LISA WILLE FETTY, Lenexa, Kan., announce the birth of Jared Blake, Oct. 29. He joins Kyle, 6 1/2, and Colin 2 1/2.

GARY JOHNSON, Houston, Texas, is manager of business technology solutions for Valley Forge Technical Information.



CAPITOL HILL – Luke Harms '02, center, worked on Capitol Hill as a legislative assistant for U.S. Rep. Jim Nussle (R-Iowa). On a trip to Washington, D.C., Wartburg President Jack R. Ohie, left, visited with Harms and Nussle, right, about educational issues. Harms left Nussle's office in December for a position with Maytag.

Also an aviation navigator for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, he has been flying missions in the Gulf of Mexico region as part of heightened U.S. security measures.

PATRICK and Beth SIMMONS, Fremont, Calif., announce the birth of Grant Patrick, Dec. 20. Patrick has been accepted at Concordia Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., and will start in the fall.

1987

DAWN COFFMAN, Hermantown, Minn., is director of vocal ensembles at First United Methodist Church, Duluth, Minn. Her husband, DAVID COFFMAN '89, is a surgeon in the trauma/surgical critical care department at Saint Mary's Duluth Hospitals and Clinics, Duluth.

MARK EDWARDS, Raleigh, N.C., was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Regina High School, Iowa City, in September. He received a Master of Education degree in school administration from

North Carolina State University Dec. 17.

MARK PITZ, Marion, is production director at KKRQ/KXIC Radio, Iowa City.

BARTON and DEANNA REESE '89 WEIDEN, Cascade, announce the birth of Jacqueline, Nov. 23, 2002. She joins Jacob, 6 and Johanna, 3.

1988

MARLYS THOMAS BARKER, Nevada, is general manager for the *Nevada Journal* and the *Tri-County Times* in Slater. She previously served as editor of the *Nevada Journal*.

Ryan and KRISTEN BENTS BOLGER, Sioux Falls, S.D., announce the birth of Jenna Riley, Oct. 15. She joins Nathan, 7.

DAVID GLOVER, Chicago, Ill., was consecrated as an Evangelical Lutheran Church in America diaconal minister. He serves as project manager for the Zygon Center for Religion and Science at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

RICH GORDON, Richfield, Minn., earned his certified flight instructor certificate in July and teaches part-time at Thunderbird Aviation in Eden Prairie. He is a full-time sports copy editor at the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*.

Dr. MARK KAUFFMAN, Mount Pleasant, earned a Doctor of Chiropractic degree, cum laude, from Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, in October. He has joined the Kauffman Chiropractic Center, which has been serving the area for 40 years. Mark and his wife KAREN FEARING KAUFFMAN, have two children: Makenzie, 10, and Kyle, 8. Karen is the elementary talented and gifted instructor for the Mount Pleasant Community School District.

KENT and Jill KLECKNER, Fort Dodge, announce the birth of Eliot Joseph, Nov. 23. He joins Lydia, 4, and Josie, 3.

STEVE MCGREW, Charles City, teaches social studies at Charles City High School.

IN MEMORIAM

1925

MARIA HENSCH, Luverne, Minn., died Oct. 2 at the age of 100. She had taught for 15 years before she married and settled into farming with her husband. In her retirement, she translated early records for area churches.

1929

THELMA M. AHRENS, Sheffield, died Oct. 16. She and her husband served at various Lutheran churches before retiring in 1972.

1932

RAYMOND ZWANZIGER, Elkader, died Sept. 7 of bone cancer and strokes. After serving as Clayton County auditor two consecutive terms in 1968 and 1972, he continued part-time work for the county engineers.

1934

ALBERT SEEGER, Streator, Ill., died March 7, 2003.

1936

The Rev. RAYMOND MEYER, Omaha, Neb., died Aug. 13.

1938

The Rev. A. REID JEPSON died May 21, 2002.

LAUREN WEDEKING, Waverly, died Sept. 23 of natural causes. He owned Wedeking Electric, which did Wartburg's electrical work for many years. He was a former member of the Waverly City Council and spent 30 years on the Board of Electrical Examiners.

1943

E. KATHERINE KLEIN LACHAPPELLE, Grayslake, Ill., died Oct. 7. She had received a

distinguished alumna award from Wartburg for her work with underprivileged children.

DARRELL LEE SOWERS, Cresco, died Oct. 9. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War. He taught science at Rockwell-Swaledale and Crestwood high schools until his retirement in 1990.

1945

HELEN R. RICE HILL, Bartonville, Ill., died July 15, 2001.

The Rev. CARL P. OBERLEITER, Tavares, Fla., died Jan. 4. He was a retired Army chaplain who lost an arm during the Korean War when his jeep detonated a land mine. A history of the Army chaplaincy, published in 1977 by the Office of the Chief of the Chaplains, recounted the accident and noted that, "After spending months in military hospitals, he was retained on active duty, despite his handicap — due in part to his obvious morale-building influence on other patients."

1946

HELEN MILIUS WOLLIN, Janesville, Wis., died in May.

1948

HELEN M. DREWELow, Verona, Wis., died Dec. 24. She was 85. A great-granddaughter of Wartburg College founder Georg Grossmann, she earned an R.N. degree at Bismarck Hospital School of Nursing in North Dakota. She served in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II and enrolled at Wartburg after the war on the G.I. Bill. Following her graduation, she worked as a private duty nurse in Madison, until her retirement in 1982.

Capt. RICHARD REICHARDT, Tequesta, Fla., died Aug. 28 of cancer. He retired after serving 25 years in the U.S. Air Force and was then employed by Shaklee Corporation as a senior coordinator for 31 years.

1949

LEOLA RUCHOTZKE EGGERS, rural Clinton, died Dec. 28. She was a former elementary teacher and had been active in the county and state Porkettes organization. At the time of her death, she was treasurer of ELCA Cluster V and chaired the Caring Circle at Faith Lutheran Church in Andover.

ELAINE SCHLESINGER FRANK, Compton, Ill., died March 9, 2003. (She was inadvertently listed with the Class of 1968 in the Fall magazine.)

LOIS LECHNER MEIER, Sumner, died Dec. 17 following a lengthy illness.

1953

DAVID G. HERBENER, Denver, Colo., died June 8.

CARL WENZLER, Brookfield, Wis., died Sept. 19.

1955

The Rev. WILLIAM JAMES ALTMANN, Sauk Centre, Minn., died June 13, 2002. During his ministry, he served Grace, Menno, S.D.; Zion, Buffalo Lake, Minn.; Resurrection, New Berlin, Wis.; and First Lutheran in Sauk Centre.

1956

The Rev. EVAN DIECK, Appleton, Wis., died Dec. 22. During 37 years of ministry, he served parishes at Granton, Pine Valley, and Manawa, Wis. He retired in 1997 due to health problems.

1958

Dr. ROBERT E. BLUHM, Colorado Springs, Colo., died Nov. 1. He was a retired federal attorney and retired Lieutenant Colonel of the U.S. Air Force.

1959

AUDREY THIESE SCHROEDER, Lombard, Ill., died April 20.

1965

NEVA B. KASISCHKE, Radcliffe, died Jan. 6. She was a retired teacher whose career included 24 years in rural schools and 21 years in the Radcliffe Community Schools.

1971

JANIS K. TROESTER, McGregor, died Sept. 24 of diabetes. She and her husband farmed, and she served as organist at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

1982

SHAWN McNAMARA, Granite Bay, Calif., died Nov. 28.

1984

ELLEN K. WINTER MOREHOUSE, Marshfield, Wis., died Oct. 20. After earning her nursing degree, she worked as a hospital nurse, a clinic nurse, and a school nurse in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Iowa.

1998

DUNCAN WALKER, Des Moines, died Dec. 3, the victim of a gunshot wound. He was a computer specialist who worked at the University of Iowa's Hygienic Laboratory in the Wallace Building, Des Moines.

The Rev. ERIC SPAKE, Eau Claire, Wis., is lead pastor for Mission Hills Community Church, an Evangelical

Lutheran Church in America mission congregation focused on a high-energy, contemporary worship format.

Tony and TERRI HENCHAL WESTENDORE, LeGrand, announce the birth of Jacquelyn Judine (JJ), July 30. She joins

Joe, 12, and Gerrie, 6. Terri teaches physical education in the Marshalltown Area Catholic Schools.

Stuart and TRACY RUHBERG SUDAK, Chaska, Minn., announce the birth of Anna Rose, Sept. 7, 2002. She joins Justin, 6. Tracy was promoted to director of pricing for CIGNA Behavioral Health, Inc., Eden Prairie.

1989

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RICHARD and Arnette BUCHHOLZ, Boscobel, Wis., announce the birth of Richard Klaas, Jan. 21, 2003. Richard is a third grade teacher.

MARGARET JANSSEN and Dawn Walek, White Bear Lake, Minn., announce the birth of Garrett Gene, Aug. 19. He joins Kaitlyn, 10, and Kevin, 5.

REBECCA DEBNER LINDSEY, Baltimore, Md., accepted a "Heroes Award" from The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences — Washington, D.C. Chapter on behalf of the Maryland School for the Blind Music Therapy Program. The award recognized Lindsey, a music therapist, and her team for a program that changes the lives of children and youth with visual impairments, including those with multiple disabilities.

SAUDI NARANI, Sarawak, Malaysia, was appointed deputy resident of the state government's administrative division in charge of planning and development.

SHERI SIMPSON SCHULTZ, Bettendorf, is principal at Washington Elementary, Davenport.

1990

David and Dr. KATHLEEN SMITH PHELAN, Waukesha, Wis., announce the birth of Erin Marie, June 24, 2002, and the birth of Michael John, Oct. 9.

Scott and KRISMAR ANDERSON RAMKER, Waverly, announce the birth of Erik William, Nov. 14. He joins Brady, 1.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

1991

RICH and **LAURIE GITCH** '92 **EVERHARDT**, Waverly, announce the birth of Adam John, June 21, 2002. He joins Luke, 4. Rich is a software developer at CUNA Mutual. Laurie is fitness class instructor at the Waverly Health Center.

MIKE and **MOLLY GEHL** '94 **HORSFIELD**, Eldridge, announce the birth of Claire Elizabeth, Sept. 8. She joins Emma, 3.

Mark and **JODI PETERSON LOCKWOOD**, Dubuque, announce the birth of Rebecca Lynn, Nov. 14, 2002. She joins John, 7, and Peter, 4.

Matthew and **KELLY SKOGEBO MILLER**, Littleton, Colo., announce the birth of Christopher John, Aug. 13. He joins Emma, 5, and Sarah, 3.

ERICA SCHEDEL, Oshkosh, Wis., announces the birth of Andrew Jayce, Sept. 2.

1992

Mike and **AUDRA LUING CHERRY**, Waverly, announce the birth of Leah Anne, Sept. 20. She joins Becca, 8, and Ryan, 3.

JIM and **AMY JOHANNSEN** '95 **DENHOLM**, Waverly, announce the birth of Owen James, Oct. 4.

TODD HOUGE and **LAURA MAX** '93, Iowa City, announce the birth of Parker Denton Max, Nov. 17. He joins Quenton, 3.

Jeff and **PAULA THOMPSON ISAACSON**, Grayslake, Ill., announce the birth of Chelin Joy, May 19. She joins Trevor, 4, and Cora, 2.

Phil and **PAM WREDT KACMARYNSKI**, Des Moines, announce the birth of Ana Jean, Nov. 23. She joins Wyatt, 2.

TIM KUEHL, Forest City, is principal at Forest City Middle School.

Abe and **TRICIA MEINDERS NAJERA**, Elgin, Ill., announce the birth of Alejandro (Alex) Francisco, July, 1. He joins Claudia, 2.

KEVIN SKARTVEDT and **Erin Hillan**, Indianapolis, Ind., were married Oct. 4. He is an assistant store manager with Menards Inc.

JAREN and **SARA SABIN VANDE KIEFT**, Rochester, Minn., announce the birth of Maxwell Sabin, Sept. 10. He joins Lauren, 5, and Rachel, 3.

1993

Marcus and **JOLENE EISENMAN BRUNS**, Britt, announce the birth of Carlee, Dec. 16, 2002. She joins Bennett, 3.

MARIA DAVIDSON and **Robert Dougherty**, Randolph, Minn., were married Oct. 4. She is a logistics operations planner for the Yoplait division of General Mills.

ZAKARIA ABDUL KADIR, Kota Belud Sabah, Malaysia, teaches English and English for Science and Technology to upper secondary students. He also serves as coordinator of

parliamentary style of English language debate for the North West Coast Division.

STEVE MEIER, Estherville, is a student in the Master of Divinity program at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

ALEXIS OBERDORFER and **Marcus Hill**, Chicago, Ill., were married Oct. 28, 2000.

Tom and **MOLLY THOREN SHERMAN**, Sunnyvale, Calif., announce the birth of Koby Thomas, April 4, 2003.

COREY TAFOYA, Cedar Rapids, was named Iowa High School Soccer Coaches Association 2A Boys coach of the Year after his Cedar Rapids Kennedy team won the Mississippi Valley Conference for the second year in a row. He has since resigned his coaching duties after being named Kennedy's associate principal.

JENNIFER WICKS and **George McNamara**, Alexandria, Va., were married May 20, 2000. She received her master's degree in public administration from American University in Spring 2003 and works for the State Department.

1994

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GARY ARENDS, Brentwood, Calif., completed his family practice/sports medicine residency in Grand Rapids Mich., and his fellowship in sports medicine at Michigan State University. He is a primary care/sports medicine physician with an orthopedic surgery group in Los Angeles.

Brenda and **KEVIN CUMMER**, Des Moines, announce the birth of Andrew Joshua, Sept. 20.

NATHAN H. HILL and **Takako Tsuha**, Okinawa, Japan, were married March 29, 2002. Their son, Mitsuki Aaron Tsuha, was born Feb. 2, 2003. Nathan is a professional photographer for Marine Corps Community Services Camp Smedley D. Butler.

Castle Singers tour Midwest April 17-24

The Wartburg Castle Singers will perform vocal jazz concerts in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois April 17-24 under the direction of Dr. Jane Andrews. The schedule includes an April 23 appearance at the Embassy Suites Downtown in Chicago, Ill.



Saturday, April 17 – Owatonna Arts Center, Owatonna, Minn., 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 18 – Trinity Lutheran Church, Owatonna, Minn., morning worship services

Sunday, April 18 – Redeemer Lutheran Church, White Bear Lake, Minn., 7:30 p.m.

Monday, April 19 – Barnum High School, Barnum, Minn., 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 20 – Bethany Lutheran Church, Rice Lake, Wis., 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 21 – First English Lutheran Church, Wausau, Wis., 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 22 – First English Lutheran Church, Appleton, Wis., 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 23 – Embassy Suites Downtown, 600 North State St., Chicago, Ill., 7:30 p.m.

Wind Ensemble to tour Europe



The Wartburg College Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Craig A. Hancock, will tour Europe during May Term. The trip will include a concert in Eisenach, Germany, and a visit to the Wartburg Castle. The group will also travel to Austria, England, Germany, The Czech Republic and Iceland. A complete itinerary will be available closer to the tour on the Wind Ensemble Web page at <http://www.wartburg.edu/band/groups.html>.

Author draws on 42 years of teaching experience

by Mindy Viering '04

Jacquie McTaggart '60 may have retired, but she can't stop teaching.

After 42 years in the classroom, McTaggart drew upon her experiences to write a book, *From the Teacher's Desk*. It was released in November by booklocker.com, an online publishing company that offers it in both electronic and paperback versions.

The book is divided into chapters that address school practices, parenting issues that affect the educational process and school-related legislation. It includes anecdotes from the author's experiences with more than 1,500 students.

Each of the 31 chapters focuses on a different school-related issue. Topics include professed boredom, phonics, AD/HD, reluctant readers, homework, bullying and retention.

"Children continue to be as delightful as ever, but they are just faced with so many more challenges than they were when I started my career," McTaggart told the *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier* in a story published Dec. 3.

McTaggart graduated from Wartburg at the age of 19 with a two-year preprofessional certificate. After stints in Waukon, Albert Lea, Minn., Strawberry Point, Elkader and the Mental Health Institute in Independence, she spent 33 years teaching in the Independence public schools and completed her bachelor's degree and graduate work in education. She spent all but two years of her career teaching first grade.

Dr. James Kelly, an education professor at the University of Northern Iowa, calls McTaggart's book "a compendium that will enlighten and entertain teachers, aspiring teachers, parents, administrators, and those who legislate today's educational policies."

The book is available online at booklocker.com or through the Wartburg Bookstore. McTaggart signed copies of the book at the Barnes and Noble store in Waterloo on March 8.

Viering is a writing and public relations major from Bettendorf.



LIBRARY COPY -- Jacque McTaggart '60 of Independence presents a copy of her book to Jill Gremmels '80, college librarian, for shelving among curriculum resources in the Vogel Library. "Wartburg is where I began my teacher education, and it is where I received my wings to fly," McTaggart wrote in autographing the book. Her son, Sean, graduated from Wartburg in 1990.

DEAN KOESTER and SARA ECKENROD '01, Sumner, were married Sept. 6. Dean manages Stan's Small Engine Repair, and Sarah is an accountant at John Deere.

Vic and CHER THIELE McALLISTER, Marion, announce the birth of Maggie Leanne, Nov. 20. She joins Mitchell, 3.

CHRIS and Emily NEWTON, Douglasville, Ga., announce the birth of Ashton James, July 18. He joins Brittany, 5. Chris is stationed at Fort Bragg after being activated in January.

BURKE and Tatum SWENSON, Iowa Falls, announce the birth of Reegan Elizabeth, Oct. 7. She joins Keeley, 6, and Baylor, 3. Burke is the elementary physical education teacher and head boy's track coach in the Iowa Falls Community School District. He is also the running backs coach for the Ellsworth Community College Panthers.

Dr. JOHN and HEATHER BELL '96 SWANSON, Springfield, Ill., announce the birth of Kacie Marie, Oct. 19. She joins Cole, 4, and Kara, 2. Heather is a stay-at-home mom, and John will graduate in July from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. He is the chief radiology resident at St. John's Hospital.

1995

PAMELA KRUSE ADAMS, Reinbeck, was inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society for two-year colleges at Hawkeye Community College, where she is an executive assistant and legal office assistant major.

MIKE ELIJAH and Kris Knipper, Iowa City, were married Oct. 18. He is co-owner of E & B Professional Painting, Inc.

Tom and JENNIFER HOTH KNIGHT, Northfield, Minn., announce the birth of Spencer Matthew, Feb. 21, 2003.

Anthony and SARA KOOPMAN LANDIN, Arlington, Texas, announce the

birth of triplets, Brian Anthony, Joshua Allen, and Emily Grace, Dec. 17.

Jim and KIM HANNA LANGLEY, Cedar Rapids, announce the birth of Hanna Nicole, Oct. 13. She joins Isaac, 2.

Ronald and CARTINA PEPPERS MILLER, Woodbridge, Va., announce the birth of Carson Jeremy, Nov. 7.

JESSE and Stephany MOLINAR, Johnstown, Colo., announce the birth of Gavin, April 12, 2003. He joins Hunter, 6, and Branson, 3. Jesse was promoted to engineer for the City of Westminster Fire Department, and is Johnstown Volunteer Fire Department fire marshal.

TINA BEHNKE RISTAU and CHRIS RISTAU '96, Denver, announce the birth of Chloe Suzanne, Oct. 18. She joins Leah, 2.

HEIDI SHAFLAND, St. Paul, Minn., is a registered nurse at Children's Hospital Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, Minneapolis.

KYLE and DENISE McMILLIN SHAFFER, Ham Lake, Minn., announce the birth of Nathaniel Robert, Sept. 24. He joins Zachary, 2. Denise is lead business analyst at Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. Kyle is in sales with Weekes Forest Products.

ERIC and Kelli SHIFLEY, Joliet, Ill., announce the birth of Amelia Jo Marie, Oct. 29. She joins Brenna, 2. Eric is a physical therapist with Newsome Physical Therapy.

KAREN MYROM STEINHILBER, Brooklyn Park, Minn., is completing a master's degree at the University of Minnesota and was accepted into the medical writing and editing certification program at the University of Chicago. She is an instructional designer specializing in medical and pharmaceutical product training with EvoLearn, Inc.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Former Knight wrestler murdered

by Nick Petaros '06

reprinted from the Trumpet

Duncan Walker '98, a former Wartburg wrestler, died Dec. 8, the victim of homicide.

According to investigators, Walker was shot in the chest at approximately 5 a.m. in a house north of downtown Des Moines. Police said the homeowner, Sheila Allen, had a relationship with Walker, who apparently was not at the house long before the murder.

Two people have been arrested, but at press time neither were charged with homicide.

At Wartburg, Walker was a full-time student and member of the wrestling team. Head wrestling coach Jim Miller described him as a hard worker whose personality made him popular among peers.

"One day Duncan mentioned to me how tired he was," Miller said. "It turned out that he was working full-time at IBP in Waterloo, along with going to school and wrestling. He also had a child. He worked for everything he got — he never had anything given to him."

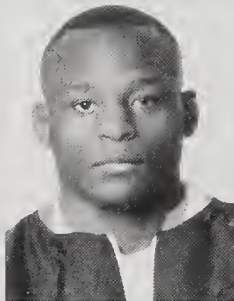
Miller also remembers Walker for his ability as a singer. "On our road trips, we always have our freshmen sing their school song," Miller said.

"Usually they are afraid to sing, but Duncan just stood up and started singing a Boys II Men song. He was just a phenomenal singer.

"I remember one time on my wife's birthday, Duncan drove all the way to Waterloo, where she works, to sing for her; that just shows you the kind of person he was."

Walker did not wrestle on Wartburg's first-team lineup, but he did compete on the 1996 national championship team.

"Duncan wasn't an All-American wrestler; he was just an All-American person," Miller said.



Petaros is a print journalism major from Maquoketa. He is the Trumpet sports editor.

1996

SUSAN BACHMAN and Lee West, Apple Valley, Minn., were married May 31, 2003.

Dr. TROY BUCHHOLZ, Sumner, is a family practice physician at Community Memorial Hospital.

ERIC CRABTREE-NELSON, Mt. Prospect, Ill., is pursuing a Master of Social Work degree at Loyola University, Chicago.

John and LAURA RIEFLER HILL, Charlotte, N.C., announce the birth of Madeline Alice, March 29, 2003.

MICHAEL JENSEN, Waverly, teaches voice at Wartburg and is a member of a Madison, Wis.-based band, Spin Spin Coupling, www.spinspin.org. His wife, Dr. JENNIFER JOHNSON '97, is a doctor of chiropractic at Waverly Chiropractic.

Wayne and JANA CUTLER LARSEN, St. Anthony, announce the birth of Seth Matthew, Aug. 28. He joins Shelby, 5, Joshua, 2, and Jack, 1.

Todd and LESLI EYESTONE LIEN, Sioux City, announce the birth of Carolyn Louise, Oct. 29.

Dr. MATT NEIL, Bettendorf, is a family practice physician in Eldridge.

DAVID and Tracy RODMAN, Cedar Rapids, announce the birth of Madelynn Sue, June 18. She joins Tyler, 2.

TINA NADERMAN STREIF and ERIC STREIF '97, Farley, announce the birth of Aaliyah Ann, Oct. 1. She joins Jalyne, 2.

1997

ANNETTE EDGREN DAVIS, Princeton, Ill., finished top of the class in the Comprehensive Income Tax Course and works for ABACUS Tax Service, Peru.

LAURIE WILKINSON DONALD and TODD DONALD '99, Van Horne, announce the adoption of Kaylin, born Oct. 2.

RACHEL KACHULIS and Kevin Busch, Cedar Rapids, were married Sept. 13. She is an elementary art specialist at Harrison Elementary in the Cedar Rapids Community School District.

JAY KAMMERER and BROOKE TAYLOR '99, Papillion, Neb., were married April 26.

Dr. PAUL and Hope MOELLER, Burlington, Conn., announce the birth of Samuel Paul, Nov. 8. He joins Max, 1 1/2.

MATTHEW REEBE, Davenport, earned a Master of Arts in Teaching and Learning from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He teaches choral music in Port Byron, Ill., and serves as a graduate distance learning instructor for the MATL program at NSU.

MICHAEL and HEATHER BOSSARD SHARP, New London, announce the birth of Jordan Michael, Sept. 16.

JIM and TINA KUBE THOMPSON, Ankeny, announce the birth of Emma Christine, April 9, 2003.

VICTOR THU, Santa Clara, Calif., graduated from Santa Clara University in June with a Master of Business Administration degree. His emphasis was international business and marketing management.

BECKY ZINN and Tom Caulfield, Denver, Colo., were married Sept. 27.

1998

SARAH ALBERTSON and Chris Corkery, Cedar Falls, were married Aug. 8. Sarah is a regional account executive with Mathis, Earnest & Vandeventer.

AMY JOHNSON ANDERSON, Maplewood, Minn., is an adoption social worker at Children's Home Society and Family Services, St. Paul.

Dr. JOHN BARE and CHELSEA KASPAREK '99, Holts Summit, Mo., were married Jan. 31. John is a veterinary medical officer with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Chelsea is working on a Master of Sacred Theology degree and co-managing a Victoria's Secret.

EMILY BOCK and DOUG SCHUMACHER '00, Ames, were married Dec. 6.

The Rev. JUSTIN BOEDING, Dodge Center, Minn., graduated last May from Luther Seminary in St. Paul and now serves as pastor of Faith Lutheran Church. His wife, JANE MOLDE '96 BOEDING, is a physical therapist at St. Mary's Hospital/Mayo Clinic Rehabilitation Unit, Rochester.

JEREMY BRUMMOND and Sara Keller, Valley Park, Mo., were married May 25, 2002. He is an attorney with Lewis, Rice & Fingersh, St. Louis.

JON and SARAH SKALA GOETZ, White Bear Lake, Minn., announce the birth of Brandon Arthur, July 9.

LESLEY LEHMAN and CHRIS ORTNER '99, Waterloo, were married June 21. Lesley is an account executive with KWWL-TV. Chris is athletic director for Cedar Valley Catholic Schools and head wrestling coach at Columbus High School.

TAD and Angela McDONALD, Wellington, Colo., announce the birth of Luke David, Sept. 25.

KEVIN ROHNE teaches mathematics at Lake Mills High School.

DANIEL WARDELL, Newton, is a producer and ICN host with Iowa Public Television. His wife, MELISSA LEE WARDELL '99 works with Lutheran Services in Iowa's Refugee Cooperative Services as family literacy coordinator and volunteer coordinator.

1999

Homecoming Reunion
September 24-26

MICHAEL ALESCH and Elizabeth Geelan, La Crosse, Wis., were married July 18. He is regional manager for Heritage Property Management and assistant wrestling coach at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

SONJA ANDERSON and Scott Gerstenberger, Des Moines, were married Nov. 1.

DENISE BELL, Minneapolis, Minn., is a bilingual patient service representative for Chronimed Pharmacy in Minnetonka.

JESSICA DALEY and William Taylor, Denver, Colo., were married June 21. She teaches Advanced Placement biology and Biology X and chairs the science department at East High School in the Denver Public School System. In 2002, Jessica participated in the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship Program for Teachers. The one-month program on "Teaching in the Genome Age," was held in Lawrenceville, N.J.

Jason and MARIA DULAK DOEPKE, Wausau, Wis., announce the birth of Alivia Maria, Feb. 26, 2003. Maria's name was incorrectly listed as Mary in the fall issue of the Wartburg Magazine.

Dr. ANGELA GORANSON GREIF, Center Point, is a family physician with the Cedar Rapids Family Practice Residency Program.

AARON HOLMER, Dundee, Ill., completed his Master of Educational Leadership degree at Aurora University in June.

He teaches mathematics at Dundee-Crown High School.

MARIAH HURLEY, Marion, is a customer service/inside sales representative with American Profol, working with U.S. and Mexican customers.

JON and LISA WHITMAN '00 KAMMERER, Cedar Rapids, announce the birth of Caleb John Thomas, Nov. 8.

CHRISTEL KUBE and Dan Jensen, Oakdale, Minn., were married Oct. 18.

Dr. AMBER KUCERA and Dr. Casper Maurer, Port Townsend, Wash., were married Sept. 6. She graduated in June from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry and is practicing at Hadlock Dental Center, Port Hadlock.

BILL KURICH and Stacey Parker, Rensselaer, Ind., were married Aug. 16. He is an assistant baseball coach at Saint Joseph's College.

ELLINGTON MILLER, Rochester, Minn., is associate editor of *Rochester Women Magazine* and chair of the

communications committee of the Minnesota Magazine and Publications Association. She continues as a technical writer with SPSS.

Brent and LYNNE PETEFISH MILLERMON, Waterloo, announce the birth of Madisyn Nicole, June 30. Lynne works as a nurse for a bariatric surgeon at the Covenant Clinic, Cedar Falls.

THADDEUS PAISAR and Sara Ryan, Iowa City, were married Sept. 20.

LISA SMITH, Anchorage, Alaska, is an intern pastor at Amazing Grace Lutheran Church. The internship is a requirement for the Master of Divinity degree at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.

SARA SMITH, Cedar Rapids, is an associate with the firm of Nidey Peterson Erdahl & Tindal, PLC, where she practices as a state and federal criminal defense and appellate attorney.

2000

PAULINE DICKE and Paul VanNurden, Hanska, Minn., were married June 15, 2002, and announce the birth of Haley Jane, April 21, 2003. Pauline teaches high school agriculture classes at New Ulm Public Schools.

BEN HERTENSTEIN teaches eighth grade mathematics and seventh and eighth grade technology at AMOV Middle School in Anthon, where he also serves as assistant football and basketball coach.

CAROL KUENNEN and Mike Gaul, Altoona, were married Aug. 2.

Nick and ALLIE BRAUHN LaPOINTE, Florissant, Mo., announce the birth of Grant Paul, July 3. Allie works part-time for Curves.

JIM LICKO and Jamie Ambrosio, Cedar Rapids, were married June 14, 2003. He is public relations director for Marketing and Communication Strategies, Inc.

BRITT OLSON and Ryan Wehrenberg, LeRoy, Minn., were married Aug. 9. Britt is a computer programmer at Mayo Clinic, Rochester.

MITCHELL PARKER and Cami Schrage, Pocahontas, were married July 12. He is a Title I mathematics teacher and head wrestling coach in the Pocahontas Community School District.

PAUL and CARRIE ETHERINGTON SEBERGER, Boise, Idaho, announce the birth of Aaron Thomas, June 3.

WYATT STEINLAGE and Nike Budisetijerin, Mountain Air, N.M., were married July 6, 2002. He is a consultant at BJ Consulting.

2001

DAVE DEVINE, Overland Park, Kan., is a loan counselor for Principal Residential Mortgage.

CASEY DOYLE and Michele O'Neil, Waverly, were married Nov. 1. He is a physical therapist with Woltz Physical Therapy. Michele is a Wartburg admissions counselor.

ALUMNI UPDATE

Share news about your new job or promotion, your marriage, a birth in your family, honors you've received, your retirement. Maybe you've earned another degree, had a book or article published, won an election. **Let us know!**

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KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Green awarded \$15,000 dissertation grant

by Alaina Akkerman '06

Andrew Green '99 has received a \$15,000 dissertation grant from the University of California Transportation Center for the 2003-04 academic year.

Green earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science at Wartburg. He is currently a fifth-year Ph.D. student at the University of California-Riverside.

Green's dissertation topic, *Life in the Fast Lane: Transportation Finance and the Local Option Sales Tax*, looks at why California legislation allows local counties to levy local taxes on transportation. Previously, legislation required state and federal intervention.

He chose the dissertation topic after working with his graduate adviser Max Neiman. According to Green, "Neiman opened my eyes into transportation policy. He is a great advocate for academic work, a true mentor."

Neiman says Green is one of his hardest working and most successful students. "He has become a real policy expert in the field of state-local transportation policies, and that is why his dissertation will focus on this important topic," Neiman adds.

Neiman believes the grant will have a positive effect on others. "The size of the award should get their attention. That is a sizeable award for dissertation research, and it will perhaps direct others in the direction of University-wide research programs."

The grant is expected to increase grant seeking in statewide programs such as the Transportation Institute, Energy Studies, Water Resources Center and Pac Rim Studies.

Green is the first to receive such a grant and believes it will impact both current and future graduate students at UCR. "It allows those in the humanities and social sciences to pursue transportation studies, which is not just about building roads, but also about policy."

Akkerman is a public relations and marketing major from Holland.

Moines. Gail teaches second grade and coaches girls cross country and middle school track in the Perry Community School District.

NATALIE WEST, Murphysboro, Ill., is a graduate student in the department of plant biology at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

EMILY WOLF and Mark Pahl, Shakopee, Minn., were married Aug. 2. She teaches third grade and coaches girls basketball in Prior Lake.

2002

DEB BACHMAN, Lake Mills, is director of youth ministries with One in Christ Lutheran Parish.

LISA BONORDEN, St. Paul, Minn., is a full-time volunteer with Youth Encounter Music and Relational International Ministry Team.

KRISTINA CARROLL, Redondo Beach, Calif., is a trust service representative with Wells Fargo Private Client Services, Long Beach.

ELIZABETH DEBOWER, Bahama, N.C., works at the Washington Duke Inn and Country Club, Durham.

JOEL DEMRO and Kerryann Mehmen, Shakopee, Minn., were married Aug. 23 in the Wartburg Chapel. He is a territory manager with Hormel Foods.

SHANNON ELLIS, Ames, is pursuing a master's degree in interdisciplinary graduate studies at Iowa State University.

TONI HEIMERDINGER and Tommy Babcock, Waterloo, were married July 26. Toni is an executive/marketing assistant at VGM Club.

CHRISTOPHER HILL, Des Moines, is a second-year medical student at Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

JESSICA CHMELAR HRUSKA, Onalaska, Wis., earned a master's degree in exercise physiology-human performance at University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

MELISSA JEPSON, Glidden, teaches pre-K-12 vocal music in the Olin School District.

JERMAINE JOHNSON, Baltimore, Md., is the Mayor Martin O'Malley's East Baltimore neighborhood liaison for the City of Baltimore.

SUZANNE JUST and DANIEL SCHUKNECHT '03, Louisville, Ky., were married Dec. 27. She completed a Master of Arts degree in December at the University of Northern Iowa. He is employed by Valhalla Golf Club.

MATTHEW McNAMARA and STEPHANIE MANGELS, West Des Moines, were married June 21. Stephanie works in the West Des Moines School District, and Matthew is with John Deere Credit, Johnston.

CHRISTOPHER ROGNE and Courtney Lubeck, Clear Lake, were married Oct. 25.

2003

JENNIFER AANONSON, St. Paul, Minn., is an occupational therapy graduate student at the College of St. Catherine.

KENDALL ALLEN, Dallas, Texas, is a music specialist with the Plano Independent School District, Plano.

KIMBERLY BABCOCK, Madison, Wis., is a graduate student in the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

SARAH BAHE, Elgin, teaches secondary language arts in the Valley Community School District.

ALAN BANWART, Lees Summit, Mo., is a program intern with the Environmental Protection Agency.

MATTHEW BATES, Ames, is a data research analyst at Kingland Systems Corporation.

ALENA BAUMAN, Zephyrhills, Fla., is a probation officer with Salvation Army Correctional Services, Tampa.

STACY JASS and Stephen Henson, Martinsdale, were married Sept. 27.

STEFFANY MOON, Moline, Ill., is pursuing a master's degree in occupational therapy at Midwestern University.

AMY NEAL, Cedar Rapids, teaches fifth grade in the College Community School District.

CHRIS THOMAS, Brookfield, Ill., completed his masters degree in writing from DePaul University, Chicago.

JUSTIN PARKER and Jennifer Terpstra, Pella, were married Nov. 15. Justin works at John Deere in Ottumwa and serves as a youth pastor at Third Reformed Church in Pella.

BRANDON PATTEN, Iowa City, is a graduate student at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry.

DEREK and JONI BURRIER PINE, Johnston, announce the birth of Miya Karin, Sept. 10.

CHRISTOPHER REECE and JENNIFER KOCH, Tallahassee, Fla., were married Dec. 27. Jennifer is a music therapist with Leon County School District.

ALLISON SCHULTZ and Douglas Frazell, West Des Moines, were married June 21. She is a children's librarian at the West Des Moines Public Library.

STEPHANIE SMITH and Sean St. Cyr, Denver, Colo., were married Oct. 11.

CHRIS THOMAS, Brookfield, Ill., completed his master's degree in writing at DePaul University, Chicago.

BRENT VANDER WILT and GAIL SCHIMMELS '02, Grimes, were married Oct. 4. Brent is an accountant at Principal Financial Group, Des Moines.

KYLE BECKER, Cedar Rapids, is a substitute teacher with the Grant Wood Area Education Agency.

EMILY BLOCK, Dubuque, is a reporter for the *Telegraph Herald*.

ANGELA BORTON, Iowa City, is a pharmacy graduate student at the University of Iowa.

KATHERINE BREITBACH and RYAN BRUMM '04, Independence, were married Nov. 22.

JESSICA BRYANT, Minneapolis, Minn., is a plant accountant at Sleyza, Inc.

KATIE BURNETT, Maquoketa, is graduate student at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., in the Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages and intercultural studies programs.

AMY CAMPBELL DEWEY, West Des Moines, is a veterinary assistant at Jordan Creek Animal Hospital.

BENJAMIN DIEHL, Ames, is a graduate student and research assistant in mechanical engineering at Iowa State University.

HOLLY ECKHOFF, Adair, teaches vocal music in grades 3-6 and directs the instrumental music program in grades 5-12 in the Adair-Casey Community School District.

BETHANY FRANZMAN, Denver, Colo., is an analytical chemist at Boulder Scientific Company, Mead.

STEPHANIE FREDRICH, Kansas City, Mo., is a customer service representative for the Kansas City Symphony. She is pursuing a Master of Arts degree in music and arts administration at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

ANNE FREEMAN, Fenton, Mo., is a Title I paraprofessional with the Pattonville School District, St. Louis.

JAMIE GARBES, Waterloo, teaches physical education at Cedar Falls High School.

LARA GEIGER-SIMPSON, St. Paul, Minn., is a benefits analyst with Hays Companies, Minneapolis.

DANIEL GRIFFIN, Davenport, is a chiropractic graduate student at Palmer College.

MELISSA GUTHRIE, Franklinton, N.C., is an educator with Teach for America in the Franklin County Schools.

LA TASHA HAMLET, Denver, Colo., is administrative director of performing arts ministry at Here's Love Christian Fellowship Church.

AMY HAMMOND, Ames, is a computer engineering graduate student at Iowa State University.

RACHAEL HANDELAND, Houston, Texas, is president of marketing for the Event Planning Group.

Chris Streif and KIMBERLY HOEFER, Dyersville, were married June 14. Kimberly teaches music at St. Joseph Worker Catholic School.

ANGIE WESSELS HUBBARD, La Porte City, is a client service associate with Principal Financial Group, Cedar Falls.

JOE HUGHES, Boulder, Colo., is an advertising sales consultant at the *Daily Camera* newspaper.

KELLY JUDE, Marshalltown, is a family development specialist with Mid-Iowa Community Action.

CARRIE KRESS, West Des Moines, is an assistant actuarial analyst with Principal Financial Group.

JESSICA KRUGER, Marion, teaches fourth grade in the Mount Vernon School District.

NATHAN LIEN, Iowa City, is a chemistry graduate student at the University of Iowa.

HEATHER LORENTSON, Fort Dodge, teaches Spanish at Fort Dodge High School.

KIMBERLY MAYER, West Des Moines, is an applications programmer/analyst I with Wells Fargo Financial.

MATT MULLINS, Cedar Rapids, is marketing coordinator/assistant manager of Garnett Place, a retirement community.

JILL NEDVED, Bettendorf, teaches third grade in the Pleasant Valley Community School District.

ANGELA NEPTUN, Anamosa, is director of youth and family ministry at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

JACOB OLSEN, Rockford, Ill., is assistant football coach at Rockford College, where he is pursuing a master's degree in education.

SARAH OLSON, Kenosha, Wis., teaches eighth grade math in Kenosha Unified School District No. 1.

LAURA PALMER, Lawtence, Kan., is pursuing a Master of Music degree in church music (organ) at the University of Kansas.

SARA PEAKIN, Monticello, is an assistant director with KinderCare Learning Center, Marion.

JESSICA MENNEN POLLOCK, West Des Moines, is a microbiology laboratory technician at the National Animal Disease Lab.

STEPHANIE RASMUSSEN, St. Louis Park, Minn., is a media analyst at Martin/Williams, Minneapolis.

ELIZABETH RECKER, Cedar Rapids, is manager at Next Generation Wireless.

CHRISTOPHER RHOADES and EVA JONES, Creve Coeur, Mo., were married July 26.

NICOLE SCHEIDEL, Des Moines, is an executive compensation analyst with Principal Financial Group.

MATT SIMON, Blacksburg, Va., is biology graduate student in aquatic ecotoxicology at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Service held Feb. 9 for former college nurse

A memorial service for longtime college nurse Bertha Mead was in the Wartburg Chapel at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9. She died Monday, Jan. 5, at the Shell Rock Health Care Center at the age of 94.

She was a 1939 graduate of the University of Iowa, where she earned Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees. She taught nursing in Iowa, Montana, Washington and Illinois and served in World War II as a 1st Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps.

She moved to Waverly in 1959 and worked for 18 years as the college nurse and clinic nurse at Rohlf Memorial Clinic, retiring in 1977.

Alumni physicians receive family practice scholarships

Three Wartburg alumni were among four young physicians awarded 2003 Farm Bureau Scholarships by the Iowa Academy of Physicians. The \$2,500 scholarships are designed to encourage medical students to enter an Iowa family practice residency and to practice in a rural Iowa community.

Recipients included Dr. Troy Buchholz '96, now a family practice physician in Sumner; Dr. Matt Neil '96, a family practice physician in Eldridge; and Dr. Angela Greif '99, who is completing a residency with the Cedar Rapids Family Practice Residency Program. They are all graduates of Roy J. and Lucille Carver College of Medicine at the University of Iowa.

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

JOSHUA SMOTHERS, Des Moines, is a copy editor in the *Des Moines Register* sports department.

EMILY SPELTZ, Bettendorf, teaches sixth grade mathematics and social studies in the Central-Clinton Community Schools, DeWitt.

T.J. STOFFER, Perrysburg, Ohio, is district account representative for Maytag Appliances, Toledo.

ERIN SWANCUTT, Iowa City, is a volunteer coordinator with Americorps VISTA.

ERIC THOMPSON, Norwalk, is a financial associate at Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Des Moines.

SUSAN THOMSEN, Mason City, is a TV news reporter at KIMT-TV.

KRISTY SHEPPARD TOKHEIM, Rudd, is a physical therapy assistant at North Iowa Area Community College, Mason City.

TERESA EAGAN WILLIAMSON, Eldora, is a resource math teacher with Area Education Agency 267 at the Iowa Juvenile Home, Toledo.

RYAN WINTERS, Cedar Falls, is a graduate student in health and physical education at the University of Northern Iowa.

CAROL WOLOWIC, Roscoe, Ill., is a team leader in the Beloit School District, Beloit, Wis.

Still space available for Alumni and Parents Programs European tours

• Alumni Alpine Adventure Tour July 16-31

Experience the breathtaking Alpine scenery of Germany, Austria and Switzerland, including a trip to the Wartburg Castle.

• Alumni Treasures of Eastern Europe, with Italy Tour July 30-Aug. 14

See the Wartburg Castle, Prague, Vienna, Budapest and the Adriatic Coast before taking an overnight ferry to romantic Tuscany – Florence, Pisa and Montecatini.



The Rev. Larry Trachte '66, college pastor, will host both tours. For more information, log on at www.wartburg.edu/alumni/alumnitours/alpinetour.html or contact the Alumni and Parents Programs Office at 800-772-2085, extension 8491, or alumni@wartburg.edu.

Christmas with Wartburg 2003 CD available



Compact disc recordings of Christmas with Wartburg can be ordered from the Advancement Office for \$15 each.

The recording includes selections performed by the Wartburg Wind Ensemble, Wartburg Choir, Castle Singers and Ritterchor. The CD also features *O Holy Night*, performed by the mass choirs and Wind Ensemble with

Dr. Simon Estes, distinguished professor and artist-in-residence.

In addition, the CD features the debut of *That Night in Bethlehem*, written for Christmas with Wartburg by Des Moines composer Ben Allaway and performed by Estes and the Wartburg Choir. Estes and the choir also performed the piece in early March during a tour of major concert halls.

CHRISTMAS WITH WARTBURG 2003 ORDER FORM

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*More chapel wedding photos from
the story featured on pages 3-5*

Ceremony Photos



CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE LEFT –
Andrew '00 and Melissa Voss '99
Brobston; Bryan and Angela Hibbard
'91 Buffington; Chris '91 and Cara
Boerm (with the Rev. Larry Trachte
'66, college pastor); Carol Wessels '66
and RADM. Alvin '54 Koeneman,
(with wedding party – the Rev. David
'58 and Patricia Nelson, Al '64 and
Janice Howard '65 Buenning, and Bill
'57 and Janet Welsh '59 Striepe); and
Andrew and Cheryl Waltmann '91
Lundsgaard.

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Sept. 23-26*

2004 Schedule

THURSDAY, SEPT. 23

- 8 p.m. Kastle Kapers
- 10 p.m. Pep Rally

FRIDAY, SEPT. 24

- 10 a.m. Alumni Best-Shot Golf Tournament
- Alumni Board meets in afternoon
- 5 p.m. Homecoming Reception
- 5:30 p.m. Homecoming Dinner,
Alumni Citation Recipients
Honored
- 8:30 p.m. Kastle Kapers
- 9:30 p.m. Knight Kap

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25

- 8 a.m. Early Morning Knight Run/Walk
- 10 a.m. Parade, Bremer Avenue
- 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Renaissance Faire
- 11 a.m. Class Reunions for class years
ending in 4 or 9
'54, '59, '64, '69, '74, '79, '84,
'89, '94, '99
- 1:30 p.m. Football Game vs. Luther,
Walston-Hoover Stadium
- 4-6 p.m. Oktoberfest
- 6 p.m. Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner
- 8 p.m. Wartburg Community
Symphony Concert

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26

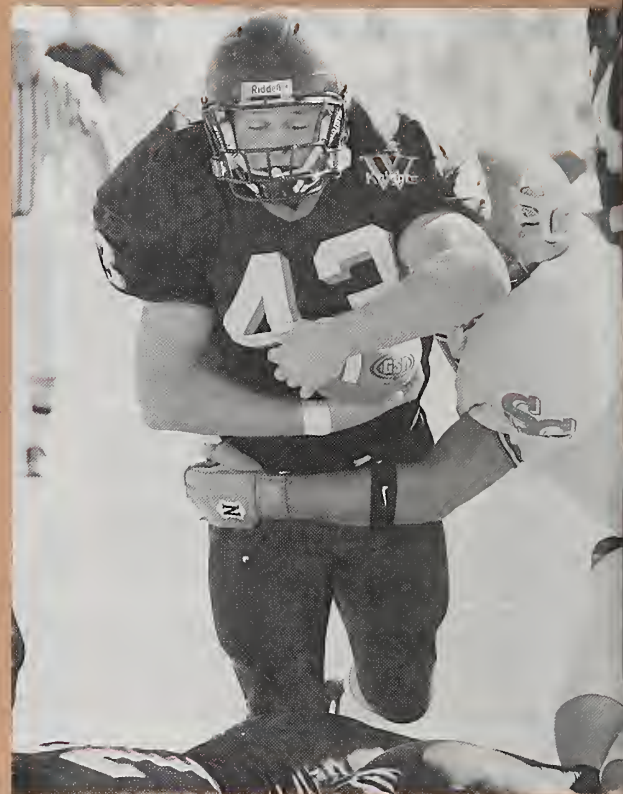
- 8:30-10:30 a.m. Society of Collegiate Journalists/
Communication Arts Open House
- 10:30 a.m. Homecoming Worship
- 2 p.m. Homecoming Concert

OTHER SPECIAL REUNIONS

- 25-Year Baseball Champions
- 50-Year Wrestling Champions

SPECIAL DEDICATIONS

- Science Center
- Student Center
- Grossmann Hall addition



Special Dedications

during Homecoming Weekend



Student Center



Science Center

**Please note that due to the 2004 Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football schedule, Homecoming will take place nearly a month earlier than it has in recent years.*

MARCH

- 20 Invitational Jazz Festival hosted by Dr. Jane Andrews and the Castle Singers, with evening concert featuring guest jazz vocalist Kevin Mahogany – Neumann Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- 20-21 Senior High Event, a weekend for high school students sponsored by the Church Relations Office and Campus Ministry
- 21 Chapel Choir Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 4 p.m.
- 23 Artist Series, The Peking Acrobats – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 27 Special Olympics Unified Sports Day – Field House, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wartburg Community Symphony Concert, featuring guest organist Paul Jacobs – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 28 Ritterchor Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 4 p.m.
Cultural Dinner and Festival – Heritage Room, Student Center, 5 p.m.

APRIL

- 1-3 Wartburg Players present *Macbeth* – Players Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 2 Knightlites Jazz Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 3 Symphonic Band Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 2 p.m.
Wartburg Choir Concert – Wartburg Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Wartburg College Wind Ensemble Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 1:30 p.m.
Castle Singers Dessert Concert – Knights Ballroom, 3:30 p.m.
- 6 Chellevold Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship Convocation – Neumann Auditorium, 9:30 a.m., honoring faculty recipient of the John O. Chellevold Student Award for Excellence in Teaching and Professional Service and students chosen by their departments as outstanding seniors
- 14-17 Winter Term Final Exams
- 18-25 Tour Week
- 26 May Term classes begin
- 30 Junior Visit Day – A day introducing high school juniors to the Wartburg campus

MAY

- 3 Junior Visit Day – A day introducing high school juniors to the Wartburg campus
- 6, 13 "Lewis and Clark Excursions and Results," Keep on Learning at Wartburg classes led by Gary Grace – Heritage Room, Student Center, 9:30 a.m.
- 8 Summer Orientation, Advising, and Registration (SOAR) Day for incoming first-year students
Wartburg Community Symphony Concert – Neumann Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., featuring piano soloist Dickran Atamian
- 13 SOAR Day for incoming first-year students
- 13-15 Wartburg Players present *All in the Timing* – Players Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 19 May Term classes end
- 20 May Term final exams
- 22 50-Year Club/Heritage Society Luncheon – Knights Ballroom, Student Center, 10:30 a.m.
Senior Recital – Wartburg Chapel, 2 p.m.
Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing – Wartburg Chapel, 5 p.m.
Band Concert – South Campus Mall, 6:30 p.m.
- 23 Baccalaureate – Neumann Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.
Commencement – Walston-Hoover Stadium, 1:30 p.m.

JUNE

- 6-7, 13-14, 20-21 SOAR Days for incoming first-year students
- 7 First Summer School Session begins
- 17-20 Wartburg Alumni Choir Reunion on campus

JULY

- 13 Second Summer School Session begins
- 16-17 Admissions Alumni Weekend (see back cover for details)

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BRAND NEW CASTLE CAMPUS

CLASS REUNIONS & HOMECOMING HIGHLIGHTS



CLASS OF 1953



CLASS OF 1998



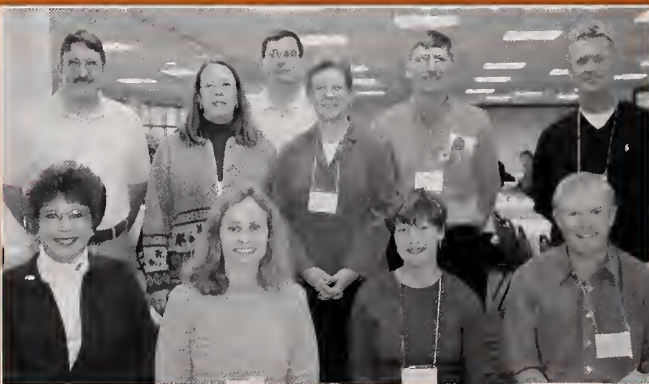
CLASS OF 1968



CLASS OF 1998



CLASS OF 1973



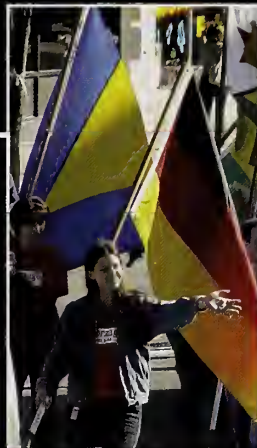
CLASS OF 1978



CLASS OF 1963



BRIGHT FUTURE – Children of alumni rode on the Future Wartburg Knights float during the Homecoming parade.



PROUD COLORS – Members of the International Club bear their countries flags – 32 in all.



REMEMBERING – members of the Class of 1953 wrote the names of deceased classmates on cards, attached the cards to balloons and released them as part of a special ceremony during Homecoming Weekend.



UNCLE OHLE – One parade float used President Jack R. Ohle's face in place of Uncle Sam's.



BIG FINISH – Members of the Wartburg Dance Team entertained at the annual Pep Rally.

To view more Homecoming photos, go to:
www.wartburg.edu/alumni/homecoming.html



KNIGHT RUN/WALK WINNERS – (front row) Janice Ott '63, 50-plus; Jill Hughes, 0-17; (second row) Susan Church Schult '90, 40-49 (walker); Beth Carlson, 40-49; Mallory Clausen, 18-22; Millie Schulz Dieter '55, 50-plus (walker); (third row) Eldon Ott '64, 50-plus; Lee Hammerand '90, 30-39; Eric Allen '94, 23-29; Matt Townsley '04, 18-22; Tommy Boerigter, 0-17; Joel Meyer '73, 50-plus (walker); and Wayne McClintock '85, 40-49. Not pictured: Bruce Hanson '88, 49 (walker); Emily Ott Kell '98, 23-29; and Janet McCullough, 30-39.



ROYALTY – Sarah Tuttle '04 of Des Moines and Matt Stoffel '04 of Dubuque were crowned 2003 Homecoming king and queen. The 2003 Homecoming Court included Lisa Rasmussen '04 of Nevada; Marcus Knecht '04 of Thompson; Nathan Kerl '04 of Rochester, Minn.; Doug Cole '04 of Hopkinton; Julia Baker '04 of Clear Lake; Brian Pins '04 of Dubuque; Cassy Dearborn '04 of Ankeny; and Katie Kamaus '04 of West Union.

Admissions Alumni Weekend

Friday–Saturday
July 16–17

The college invites alumni and their children or grandchildren entering ninth through 12th grades to rediscover Wartburg and Waverly area. This two-day event will include workshops, campus tours, financial aid information and plenty of free time to explore Waverly's golf courses, Heritage Days and other attractions.

Registration is \$50 per family and includes three meals and lodging in Knights Village. Enrollment is limited to those who R.S.V.P. by Friday, July 9. This event coincides with Waverly's Heritage Days celebration.



Discussion Topics and Events



How To Choose a College

Doug Mason '75, consultant/
partner, Gonser

Gerber Tinker Stuhr; former Wartburg vice president for advancement

College Essay Writing

Matt Pries '95, teacher,
Hudson High School

Campus Tours

Admissions staff

Financial Planning for College

Jennifer Sassman,
director of financial aid

How To Choose the Right Major

Derek Solheim '93, assistant director of Wartburg Pathways Center for career services

Student Panel

Current students offer insights into campus life



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